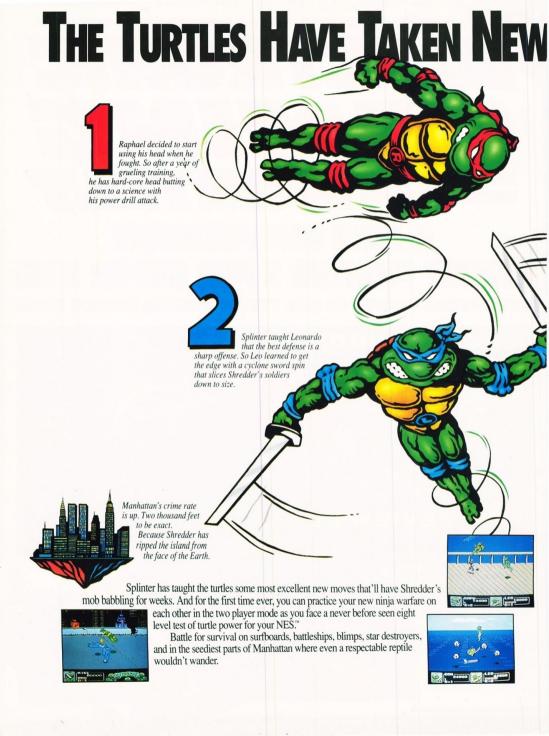


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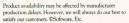
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WHAT SHAPE WILL THE FUTURE TAKE?

Lately there has been a lot of talk concerning what roads the video game hobby potentially could take in the months to come, as well as an equally diverse amount of speculation concerning which game formats will take hold in this and subsequent years.

While this argument has been debated in previous Insert Coin and letters sections, it has recently become a hot topic once again. Not since early 1989 have there been so many new types of hardware on the horizon. These range from new formats like the Sega Mega CD, Nintendo CD-ROM and Sony Play Station, to revamped versions of existing technology soon to be unveiled in the Nintendo Color GameBoy and the upcoming NES to Super NES convertor.

Even though it is encouraging to see that the video game industry is still a vibrant business that many perceive have the necessary life left to warrant the costs into such areas, there are other questions that plague my thoughts whenever I hear someone unilaterally placing CD or another technology in an automatic place of preeminence above the current cartridge format.

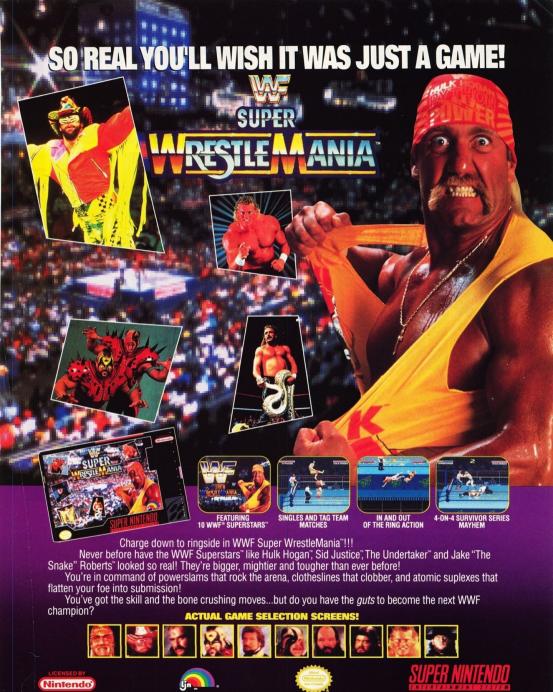
While these machines of the future are stealing the headlines, cartridge based gaming is making equally impressive leaps. Witness this month's cover story, Street Fighter 2 for the Super NES. This is a game that millions have been waiting for and Capcom is well aware of that fact. But instead of producing a limited version of the arcade super-hit, or trimming the more subtle features to compress the game into a more conventional four or eight megabit configuration, the programmers were instead let loose with 16 meg of memory. The result is a game that, although expensive, cannot be compared to any arcade-to-home conversion ever attempted. Street Fighter 2 is the perfect example of how technology doesn't dictate playability - it's the game that does.

The future is exciting, but when you consider that since Nintendo introduced their 8-Bit system seven years ago there have only been three other companies strongly committed to delivering new game formats to the market (a trend that doesn't seem to be changing much outside of CD-ROM). Perhaps the new technologies will bring with them new game designs that challenge our senses in altogether new ways that Nintendo, Sega and Atari never dreamed of.

Electronic Gaming Monthly remains committed to the electronic entertainment industry and all of the changes that have yet to come. Whether it's CD-ROM or new mega-carts like Street Fighter 2, EGM will be there with the first news and a guarantee that are viewpoints will always provide you with the info you need to buy the best products and get the most out of them.

I would like to take this time, as I do every year, to invite your opinions and comments on the state of the industry and the manner in which EGM has taken you through the twists and turns of our hobby. This is your magazine and, as we continue to expand onto television and with additional publications, we want to make absolutely sure that the future of video games and our content are one in the same.

Steve Harris Publisher



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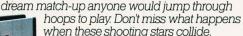
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this creative. I mean, when he's on, you can't turn him off. Talk about hang time, Jordan owns the airwaves."

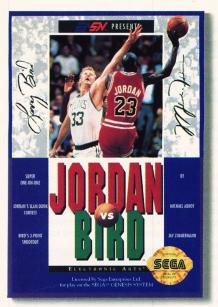
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MISSING REVIEWS...

I'm writing to ask you about your rating system. It is not on 'how' you rate the games but rather, on 'what' you rate. As you may well know, we gamers use your ratings to see what games to buy and what to avoid. And although it may sound too demanding, I don't buy any game until it gets a good review from you guys.

I wanted to ask you: What determines whether you review a game or not? How come there are games like Stormlord or Spiderman for the Genesis that you never reviewed. I bought one of them because it got good reviews from another magazine and I was real disappointed!

I hope you can answer these questions for me because I am sure that I am not the only one who waits for your game reviews.

Ruben Alanis Mc Allen, TX

(Ed. Thanks for the compliment Ruben. We have to admit that our reviews sometimes get rather blunt, but there are a lot of bad games out in the stores. Unfortunately, because our review crew is so honest some companies have stopped sending us review copies of their games. If players see a certain game getting 3's it is quite possible that these reviews may influence sales of that game. On the other hand, if a game gets 8's or 9's then sales could be affected in the other direction. Even though we expect a lot from games, we do have

four reviewers, each of which has different tastes. Players can usually relate to one of the crew and, for instance, if a person likes fast action games then Martin's reviews are best. If quest or RPG's are the type of game you like then Ed's comments are important. This wide variety of interests also gives game companies a fair review of their product. Some companies would rather just see a lot of happy icons though. Once in a while some games actually do fall through the cracks as release schedules get shifted, product gets changed or there are just too many games coming out in any one month.)

ZELDA 3...WHEN?

I wish you guys would make up your mind. I have been watching your Zelda 3 coverage very carefully, and while it is the best of all the magazines, what really irks me is when you say it is coming out at a certain time and it doesn't. Probably the worst case is Zelda 3 as you have been saying it would be coming out for the last 6 months. When will it really be coming out?

Paul Main Nampa, ID

Come on fellas. Is it really that hard to get the release date correct for the new games? I have seen the Japanese magazines and they are able to nail down the game release to the day! What is the story?

Chris Circo Rutherford, NJ

(Ed. When it comes to game releases, it is as frustrating to us as it is to you when titles get pushed back month after month. Such is the case for Zelda 3. The game has been translated for quite a while now but

we understand that Nintendo is continuing to make changes to it. Every month their people tell us that it is coming out the next month and now an April release seems somewhat remote. Perhaps in May. The Japanese release schedule is entirely different than the U.S.. Everything is done in Japan and schedules are a lot easier to be made, and kept.)



Zelda 3...pushed back to late Spring.

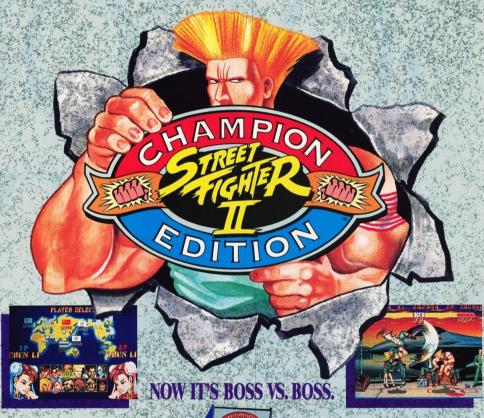
ACTION REPLAY IN U.S...!

I had to write to tell you that I have just purchased the Action Replay from a company in the U.S. It is Coast to Coast Technologies in Florida. You may want to tell your readers about this store. By the way, the Action Replay works great and it helps me blow through some of the harder games!

Josh Erbil Harvest, AL

(Ed. Thanks for the info Josh. The complete address for this company is: Coast To Coast Technologies, 580 Cape Cod Lane, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714. Their phone number is 1-800-962-0494. The Action Replay is selling for \$79 and when you purchase the product you will get 12 monthly issues of their Gamebusters magazine free. This mag contains all of their newest codes and will keep you updated each month.)

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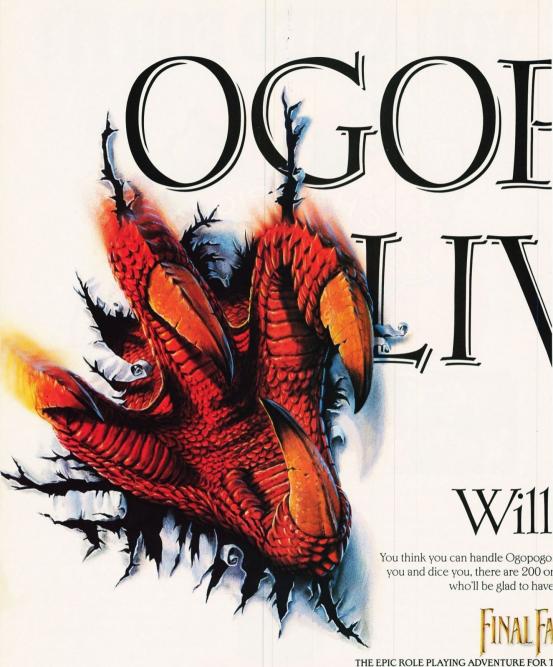
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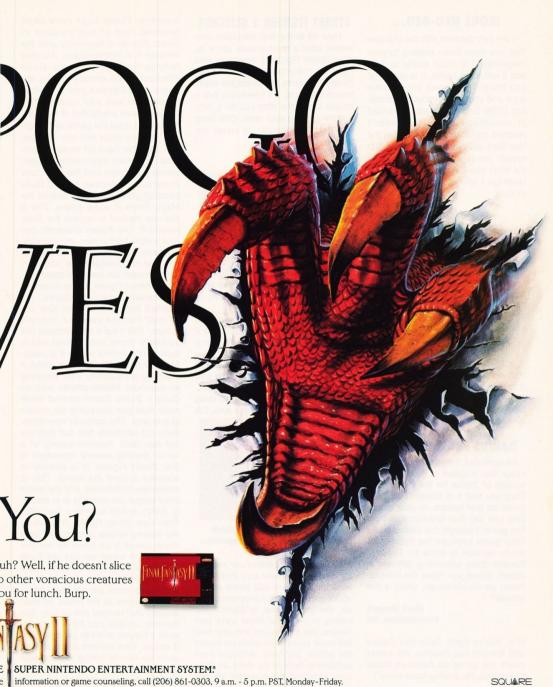
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MORE NEO-GEO...

I am very pleased with the changes that you have been making to your magazine. It is much easier to read and it just looks better. It is good that you haven't softened your review crew and your new products information [EGM Express] is months ahead of everybody else. You haven't reached perfection yet as I have the Neo-Geo and your coverage of that system needs work. Since neither of the other two magazines have regular coverage I am relying on you to help us out.

Jake Thompson Louisville, KY



Andro Dunos is on its way for the Neo-Geo.

(Ed. No sooner said than done Jake! It took a while but starting with this issue we have the first of our Neo-Geo fact files. Turn to page 143 for a spread on Soccer Brawl.)

DARIUS FROM KONAMI?

I'm confused. I read in another magazine that Konami is making a CD version of Darius for the PC Engine. They say that it is Konami's first CD game for that system. In your magazine you say that Gradius was their first game. I thought that Darius was a Taito game because the Super Nintendo version is done by Taito. Is Konami doing something different in Japan. Since you have the international game coverage, what is the answer?

Mark Mayers Philadelphia, PA

(Ed. You're right, Taito has Darius and Konami has Gradius. No secret deals are going on between these companies. No smiling faces either.)

STREET FIGHTER 2 GLITCHES

Hats off to the first magazine who knows what a good arcade game is. Your Street Fighter 2 coverage was right on the money and whoever (Sushi-X?) wrote the strategies really knows the game. It's interesting that a couple of months after you do it, others are copying your work. One thing you didn't do though, is cover the 'freezes'.

Rob Shields Eugene, OR



The legendary Guile Freeze is just one of many tips sent in.

I just read your February magazine and it is awesome. In the SF2 part it said to write a letter if I find any secrets. There are some which you haven't talked about. While using Guile, I found a way to freeze and handcuff your opponent.

Brian Gray Santa Ana, CA



The seemingly unbreakable Guile Handcuffs <u>are</u> escapable...

(Ed. Since we published our request for new SF2 moves and tricks, we have received over 500 letters talking about everything from program glitches, like the freezes, to Guile's gun hiding in his boot! Most were just rumors, but the freezes are very real. We knew about them when we began the article, but have refrained from publishing how to do them as they can actually be harmful to the

machine. These bugs have been removed from all new versions of Street Fighter II beginning with the Version 4.0 motherboard. Another famous Guile glitch is the Guile Blackout which actually resets the game (and causes you and your opponent to lose your credits). This has also been eradicated. It was also possible to reset the game with Dhalsim. Dhalsim could also turn invisible, Ken and Ryu have an endless hurricane kick where they continually spin across the screen until they get stuck in the corner. Another brilliant Guile handcuff glitch is playfully termed the Magic Throw in some circles. This is just one method to escape the Guile Handcuff. The frozen character can also initiate his/her own escape without being thrown. The boss characters are not available for use anywhere except the new Champion Edition of Street Fighter II. Any instances of 'instant' special attacks, ie. Blanka's Roll, Chun Li Wind Kick, are all built into the game as 'random moves.' This means the computer will suddenly throw in a special attack instead of a normal move. It is possible to throw a Sonic Boom without charging immediately after throwing an opponent. Missile attacks such as Guile's Sonic Boom cannot have more than one occupying the screen at one time. The computer may throw them out extremely fast, but they are not that fast! Another beauty of a rumor floating around nowadays is that Street Fighter III is already in arcades around the world. This is completely unfounded, and the game most people are referring to is actual-Iv SNK's brand new Neo Geo title. Fatal Fury. Street Fighter III is still on the drawing boards, and you will hear more about it as soon as we do! Believe us when we say we have found everything there is to find in this truly incredible game. Combinations and cheap shots are not really tricks, but techniques. In the future, be forewarned that rumors are usually just rumors, unless you have actually seen it happen and can get proof that it exists. Few rumors turn up true, even we can be wrong. By the way, the new board does have one new feature. More on that later.)

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PLAY GAMES FOR A LIVING!

I am an 18 year old freshman at the University of Rochester. I have been playing games ever since Pong and have always had a dream of one day playing video games as part of my job when I was older.

I always like to read EGM cover to cover and can never wait until the next issue. I always like to find out what is new in the gaming world and EGM is my major source of information. All of my friends know how much I like games and how good I am. They are amazed at how fast I finish games. The more I think about this, the more I believe that my dream has a chance to some day become a reality. What I want to do is major in Japanese and some how become involved in the video game industry, and possibly working as a Japanese consultant for EGM (like Sushi-X).

Is it possible for me to do this? If it is, would I need to take other courses outside my major? Please help my dream become a reality.

Luciano DiGeronimo Fair Lawn, NJ

(Ed. Thanks for your interest in our magazine. You have already touched on some of the most important skills needed in this industry. Playing games is obviously the most important and, at least if you want to work for us, you have to be able to pick up a game and walk through it in a matter of a couple of hours. Computer skills are also important as our assistant editors are the ones who do the page layouts and take the photos. We believe, like you. that game players have the best idea as to what other game players want to see in a fact file. The IBM is a good machine but the best work is now being done on the Mac.

It's not all fun though. Long hours and 6 to 7 day work weeks are the rule here especially when we are working with the shortest lead time in the industry. On the other hand, our editors are not ones who just sit behind their desks and wait for the news to come to them. It is very seldom that everybody is in the office at one time as someone is always flying off on a story. Frequent trips to Japan and London are nice perks in any

book! If you want to be an editor it is also important to know that Darius is a Taito game, and you will have to live in the Chicago area. Unlike other mags who have dozens of freelance writers spread throughout the country, everything (except Sushi-X) is kept under one roof here at EGM.

It sounds like you are the kind of player that we would want on our staff some day. Keep in touch!)

MEGA-CD ENCRYPTION...

It is about time one game company wises up and finally locks out the foreign games. Most of them are off the wall hard core RPG's or games which sooner or later come out over here anyway. I will gladly take a Batman 2 over a strange looking 3 x 3 Eyes. Good job Sega!

Brendon Shires New York, NY

AND CON...

I would like to respond to your editorial about giving up Japanese conversions for American games based on movies and TV shows. Truthfully, I would much rather play "Lunar - The Silver Star" than have to settle for a "Toejam and Earl" CD game. From my experience with both Japanese and American games, I can honestly say that Japanese are tops! Could you possibly imagine a full motion video intro for a "Home Alone" CD, or a rerun of "Star Control" with Zero Wait State?! Oh, Glee!! I can hardly wait!!

Hey Sega, trust me, you would do a lot better if you worked on translation rather than programming. And I swear, the second an "All My Children" CD/FRPG comes out I will melt down my Genesis and use the plastic as my new GameBoy stand!

Angel L. Quinones Jersey City, NJ

(Ed. Ever since we broke the news in the U.S. about Sega's intent to lock out foreign CD's, letters started pouring in by the hundreds. Right now it is running about 90% against encryption and 10% for it. What do you think? Should Nintendo do the same thing with their CD machine?)

STREET FIGHTER 2: CHAMPION EDITION?

Your February issue on Street Fighter 2 was hot. I've been playing for a long time and I agree with you that the rumors like Guile throwing his comb are a joke. However I have heard rumors from some reliable friends that some of the Street Fighter 2 machines had a tournament mode built into the game. Can you find out if this is true?

Hubert Cheng La Jolla, CA



Note the red Chun Li in Street Fighter 2: Champion Edition!

(Ed. Have you thought about working for us as our West Coast spy? Just joking. You are right though, Capcom is working on an enhanced "Street Fighter 2" arcade game. It is called Street Fighter 2: Champion Edition. Last issue we broke the news on this hot new SF2 arcade game and this issue you can see what it looks like. Don't miss the special coverage starting on page 100!)

THE LATEST INFO!

You probably won't answer this but I would like to know how you get your info months before everybody else does?

Bill Rodgers Winnipeg, Manitoba

(Ed. Going straight to Japan certainly helps. Sometimes we get info even more current than what the U.S. companies have.)





The U.S. Magic Sword pix (left) doesn't even have the score. The same info from Japan shows a nearly completed game!

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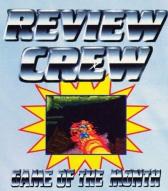
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CONTRA 3: THE ALIEN WARS

With the most incredible examples of truly how powerful the Super NES really is, Konami's Contra 3: The Alien Wars not only challenged even the most die-hard action aficionados in the EGM offices, it also blew our minds with level of graphic and programming complexity that few home games have ever managed to display! A tip of the hat goes to Konami for proving once again that few know games as well as they do!



With no challenge to be found on the home front, the big cheese(head) has y set his sights on the arcade Smash sequel, Total Carnage!



What, him worry? Not when he's got his hands on the best the Super NES has to offer! Sooner or later he'll beat Ryu!!!



Will someone tell him to quit calling Andrew for tips! Seriously, our game pro is hot on Contra 3, but has anybody got a band aid?



Sushi-san, fresh from slicing and dicing the best of the worst from CES, is taking a vacation with Street Fighter 2!

Super NES - Konami CONTRA III: THE ALIEN WARS Theme: Action Available: May No. of Levels: 6



The tale of two green berets continues in 16-Bit fashion! Once more, the forces of Red Falcon have returned from the deepest reaches of space to terrorize the planet Earth! This time, our favorite heroes will have their hands full with bosses that encompass the entire screen, awesome Mode 7 effects, two weapons at one time and the Mother Brain itself! Contra III: The Alien Wars is a direct hit!

This game is not only the hottest action game to appear for the Super NES, it's the best thrill for the money to come along for any system in some time. Taking the Super NES to the max, this game has full screen rotation, incredible Mode 7 Bosses, incredible graphics and sound as well as game play that won't quit! Awesome!

You can't do an action game much better than this. Konami has backed a lot into Contra 3 and it shows! From the incredible Boss encounters to the overhead rotational levels, this cart has challenge as well as eye-popping visuals. The game play is still Contra but in a suit like this the game has never looked better!

This cart is the perfect example of how a 16-Bit game should be The Mode 7 is incredible and the bosses are huge. The graphics are arcade quality and the music and sound effects are mind-blowing. The game play is near perfect and the difficulty is just right. This game is a total trip from beginning to end. I want more.

Contra III: The Alien Wars is exactly what a 16-Bit title should be. The graphics are excellent, especially with the abundant use of Mode 7. The music rocks when hooked up to a stereo, and the control has a special feel all its own. The perfect difficulty settings and the multiple endings, kept me coming back for more.

Super NES - Seta F1-ROC

Theme: Racing Available: Now No. of Levels: 16 Megabits: 4



Racing takes on a whole new dimension with F1-ROC (Race of Champions). Race against the best drivers in the world through 16 different tracks from countries spanning the globe. Customize your car to your liking, starting from the suspension to an ultra-powerful nitro booster! View your car stats and prepare to race. Once on the track, get ready for the ride of your life! This kind of excitement is not for the meek.

This is a good example of a game design that spent more time working on the options as opposed to the actual play mechanics. The end result is a cart that looks good and provides a wide variety of customizing features but once the race actually began I was loft feeling that most of the up-front features were wasted.

This racing game has plenty of spice and not a bad bit of action to boot! The most noticeable feature of this cart is the manner in which you are given complete control over your racer's performance and the roadways on which to race. There are some racing oversights, but overall this game provided some thrills.

This cart does a great job of adding features and options that make the game play more interesting. I like building your own car, but after you get through all the cool options it's really not that great of a racing game. The graphics are good and the sounds are realistic but the game play is frustrating and control is minimal.

F1-ROC takes a little getting used to, but after a couple of races, it becomes fun. The customization option is a brilliant function, and the numerous tracks add a wide variety of racing action. I only wish the overall graphics had been drawn better, with some excellent explosions or something. As it is, the package is flat.

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SUPER E.D.F.

Theme: Shooter Available: Now No. of Levels: 6 Megabits: 8



Super E.D.F. is a 16-Bit ready to take on all new comers! This brave shooter features 8 different weapons to power-up five times by destroying enemies. After hitting a certain number of opponents, your power level will increase. If you reach the fifth level and manage to fill the meter, you will receive another shield. The action does not get any better! Fight large round bosses and save the planet as the Earth Defense Force!

I'm a real fan of side-scrolling shooters, but there are substantial problems with the execution of Super EDF. First of all, the game offers little in the way of variety within each round. The backgrounds and enemies (which are extremely small) are repetitive. The weapon power-up is unique, but overall I wasn't impressed.

This shooter has a lot of potential, much of which is realized with some nice graphics and a varied compliment of weapons. Although there's a lot to choose from, you're severely limited in changing weapons. There's also slow-down in many regions, which is hard to explain considering the small size of the enemies.

Jaleco really impressed me with this cart. I liked the different weapons and the variety of power-ups was incredible. The graphics are very good and use a lot of Mode 7 effects. The music isn't bad but doesn't seem to fit the mood. While the game play is good, there is some slow down when the action heats up.

This shooter is excellent! I had a lot of fun with Super E.D.F. from start to finish. You won't believe some of the Mode 7 effects in here! The music is the only area that could have been better. Just wait until you see the large mother ship scale in from the distance! Even the base scales in as you make your last attack!

Super NES - Asmik XARDION

Theme: Adv. Available: Now No. of Levels: 8 Megabits: 8



Welcome to the Alpha-1 Solar System, home of three intergalactic travelers known as Triton, Alcedes and Panthera. These cyborgs have been dispatched by the Alpha-1 Representatives to stop a war raging between three planets. The invaders from the star NGC-1611 are winning, but you can stop them! Xardion throws tons of cybernetic fun your way while you trounce the enemy as any of the three super robots.

Xardion could have been the much needed action/adventure title that the Super NES has so far lacked. And while we get an interesting premise with some nice options available, such as alternating between three separate characters, the overall control, speed and technique leaves much to be desired.

While Xardion is not an intense, high speed cart, it does have several original features that let it stand apart from similar titles we've all seen before on the NES. In addition to allowing you to control a cast of three characters that are each endowed with their own abilities, the game challenges the mind with a great quest.

This cart has a few cool features but there is just not enough to impress me. The graphics are good but they're really choppy and the weapons are lame beyond belief. The game play is OK and changing your form is cool but the game has a lot of neat ideas that never seem to be executed correctly. Only average.

Xardion is a relatively original game, but it lacks in a couple of areas, intensity and control. The controls are choppy and the enemies don't exactly fill the screen. Otherwise, the concept is awesome, and the execution is better than average. It might have been cool to see the robots transform into each other though.

NES - Konami BUCKY O'HARE

Theme: Action Available: Now No. of Levels: 5 Megabits: 4



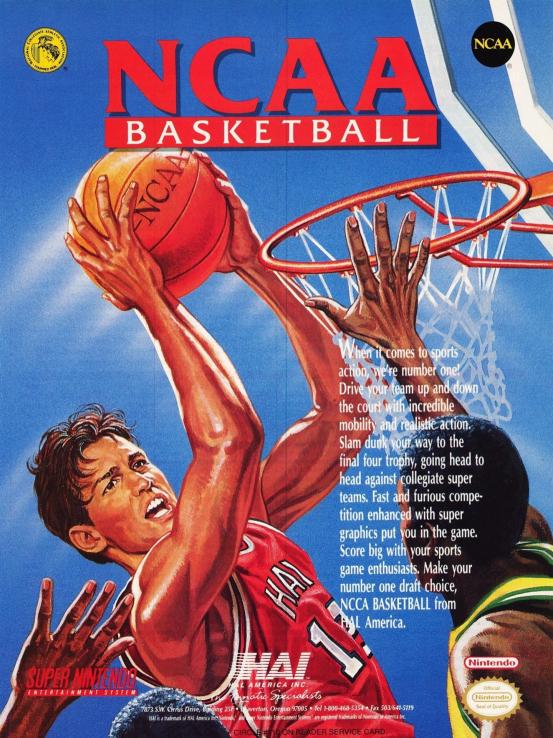
He is a hare with a flair for a dare! Bucky O'Hare is the newest super space hero to rock the star charts! Bucky and his crew, Blinky, Deadeye, Jenny and Willy are attacked by the Toad Clan and only Bucky escaped in time. Now, Bucky must rescue his friends trapped on four hostile planets. After rescuing each crew member, they join his awesome quest to end the Toad threat. It even has a cool password feature!

While you'll find a lot of features in this game reminiscent of other tilles, the overall package that Bucky O'rfare delivers is on target. Although the officulty is a little on the tame side, the overwhelming assortment of power-ups, enemies and settings this game provides more than make up for its shortcomings.

Another winner from Konami! Bucky O'Hare proves that the 8-Bit Nintendo can still play a great game - at least when Konami's at the helm! Take your standard action title and expand it with more power-ups, more enemies and better play mechanics and you'll get the idea! Plenty of technique from beginning to end!

This is what video games are all about. The game play is absolutely great. The graphics are not 16-Bit quality but surprisingly there is a lot of parallax scrolling. The different characters are awesome though and you can fly, dlimb walls and more. This game is great fun from beginning to end!

The NES lives! Bucky O'Hare brings the Nintendo Entertainment System to life as its colorful graphics and sharp controls light up the screen. Talk about power-ups! The variety and ofallenge is ever increasing for beginners and experts of video game action carts. Bucky should hop his way to NES machines everywhere.



NES - Seika F1-HERO 2

Theme: Racing Available: Now No. of Levels: NA Megabits: 2





The NES has been lacking many racing titles for a long time...until now! Now, we have the sequel to F1-Hero, a Famicom favorite, F1-Hero 2! Push your car to the limits as you zoom around corners at back-breaking speeds! The first challenge is to merely qualify for the big race. F1-Hero 2 will keep track of your position throughout the race, and you can even pick a manual shift for real accelerating power!

This driver, like others that have been offered on the NES, is limited in many ways but also delivers some thrills. If you've played other drivers you won't really find much in the way of innovation here, but the action does come at a decent pace and the graphics are adequate. Not the best, not the worst.

This racer goes where all others have gone before. It is marginally better than most and, while it has some good options it falls short on holding a person's interest. The split screen two player head-to-head version is the most challenging to date and brings the rating to an above average score.

F-1 is a good driver for the 8-Bit. The graphics are nothing to shout about but the game play is actually very good. There are a number of different tracks and plenty of options to choose from. The only thing that thus me is that 8-Bit drivers are all the same to me and I rather not play them. Only average.

F1-Hero held my interest for a little while, but it quickly became fedous and frustrating. The idea was wonderful, but the execution just lacks appeal. The graphics are blocky and the control is non-existent. The NES really needs a high-powered racing title, but sadly to say, this game just doesn't qualify.

NES - Virgin Games OVERLORD

Theme: Simulation Available: Now No. of Levels: NA Megabits: 2



Ever wanted to develop an entire solar system to your liking? Now you can, with Overlord from Virgin Games! This simulation lets you take control of a pilgrimage across the galaxy. You can buy atmosphere processors, farming equipment and protect your planets from invasion. Once a planet has been inhabited, you must control the government to avoid plagues, rebellion and hunger. Beware of renegade ships!

This type of game is similar to other popular computer titles that let you become the creator of civilizations. This game has a more laid back approach however, which benefits it greatly. Kick in some battles, the need for weapon systems and other options any galactic ruler would need and you get a decent simulation.

A good concept for a game and well executed version also. While the average person will get overwhelmed immediately with all the options and icons, the game really begins to get moving once you've read the instructions and understand how complex this cart really is! Not for the action crowd, this one requires brains.

Overlord is an interesting game. It is a COMPUTER game though and most computer ports to NES are not very exciting. There is a lot to do and the game is very involving but all I really found was a bunch of subscreens filled with click-on icons and a little action that seemed like an over glorified Missile Command.

Overrlord starts out as a highly interesting game. Wow! You can create worlds and oversee their development! Well, if only it were that easy. Trits is a title that clearly screams to put onto-16-bit machines due to the complexity and graphics required to make it mind-blowing. As it is, it loses before it from the moment go.

Genesis - Electronic Arts DESERT STRIKE

Theme: Shooter Available: Now No. of Levels: NA Megabits: 8



It's not over 'til it's over! Just when you thought peace reigned over the middle east, U.S. Forces are needed to return to the Gulf in another Desert Strike! Command a military attack chopper as you raid enemy fortifications, rescue your spies and destroy enemy supplies! Your main concerns are the anti-aircraft installments and your fuel supply. You may have to return to refuel many times before you finish a mission.

I really like the look of this new combat action game a lot. The overall perspective allows the cart to show off a new dimension of depth you don't find in similar carts. The action is a bit slow and never develops much intensity, but the storyline and sub-themes make this a top notch shooter/action title!

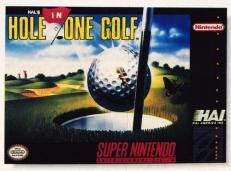
Desert Strike combines the thrill of rescuing hostages on missions that everybody can relate to. The missions aren't easy to complete but with practice they aren't impossible either. Good graphics set in a perspective that is not often seen in a video game. A bit too slow for me but still has a timely plot that keeps you going.

Desert Strike is an original idea for a shooter. The 3/4 perspective is cool but the game play is kind of choppy. I like to rescue the hostages and the different missions are good but there isn't anything to rave about. The graphics are good and the sounds are cool. An above average cart that breaks the shooter-mold.

It had to happen. Just when every started to forget about the war in the Gulf, someone had to go ahead and capitalize on it. It is a great shooter with realistic game play and controls, sparkling graphics and crisp sounds. Had it been named Chopper Strike or something else, it would be cool. Let's not get cocky about war.

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Genesis - Sega GOLDEN AXE II

Theme: Action Available: Now No. of Levels: 7 Megabits: 4



Death Adder is back, and only the magnificent three warriors of the realm have even the slightest chance of stopping him! Death Adder has stolen the Golden Axe once more, and this time his minions are twice as powerful as before. Choose from Ax Battler, Tyris-Flare or Gilius Thunderhead, each powered by his or her own special brand of magic.Play with a friend, or take on evil alone. Good luck!

The usual goal of a good sequel is to try and offer something new and different to game players who enjoyed the original. While Golden Axe 2 is not a bad game, it didn't have anything that could be termed awesome. There are some new features, but overall this is Golden Axe with some new scenery and enemies.

If you liked the original Golden Axe, like I did, then you'll enjoy this update that features new characters, magics and some nice graphics for the Genesis. Although the action has remained faithful to the original in most respects, the addition of new options improves upon the original in many ways.

Axe 2 isn't a total let down but it shows little or no improvement over the first. The graphics detail is lousy and the animation is lacking. The game has a few new features that make it more fun to play. You can throw enemies into each other. The only thing that was improved is the magics. Even the music isn't as good.

I was slightly disappointed with Golden Axe II. The sound effects were absolutely horrible, and the graphics, while well drawn, were poorly animated. Even the ending was a let-down. The new magics and special moves are cool, however, and the good play control helps to keep the game respectable. It should be better.

Genesis - Renovation SOL-DEACE

Theme: Shooter Available: Now No. of Levels: 6 Megabits: 8



Once more, the Earth is in peril! A hostile race of aliens is attempting to destroy the solar system and collect the energy of its aftermath. Pick special weapons and attach them to any part of your ship to customize your fury. Even try out different weapon combinations to really devastate the alien forces! Be prepared for awesome cinema displays and enormous round bosses to light up your screen with smooth ambiance.

This shooter appears to be inspired by Hellifre and other side-scrollers that give you killer firepower and let you use it on hundreds of enemies of all shapes and sizes. The Bosses are immense and animated in with an incredible amount of movement and fluidity. A good shooter that fans of the genre should pound on.

Sol-Deace has it all: from great graphics to fast-moving action to a wide array of weapon enhancements, this is every blaster fan's dream come frue. While you will notice some flicker, the over game play gives you an alien armada to go up against. From the smallest enemy to the largest Boss, this game is a winner!

This is really a cool shooter. I was spoiled by playing the Ca version so of the course I wasn't impressed by the sound or the lack of cinema display. Otherwise this cart packs a punch and has the intense game play that most shooters are lacking. Sad to say though, the flicker and slow down is most abundant.

This shooter has intensity: I will give it that. The graphics are excellent, the music can jam a little, and the control is way above average for shooters. All in all, Sol-Deace is a really well-rounded game, solid through-and-through. It is not the best, but possibly a contender. One question: why the name change, really??

Genesis - Accolade THE DUEL

Theme: Driving Available: Now No. of Levels: NA Megabits: 8



Get ready to go on the joyride of a lifetime. Here's your chance to try out three of the hottest cars ever designed on the face of the planet. Feel the raw power as you get behind the wheel of the infamous Ferrari F-40. Thrill to the high-end technology of the Porsche 959, one of the most advanced cars in the world. If you're into brutal acceleration and the style that could only come from Italy than unleash the Diablo.

This game does possess features not usually found in racers (like out running the cops), but the overall presentation is rendered in a less than average manner. The roadway is drawn poorly, the other cars lack smooth scaling and the sound effects are equally bad. An overall lack of action adds to this cart's troubles.

I would believe that the Genesis is capable of being able to mandle a good racing game but this one seems to be lacking the excitement. You have to sense the speed and to have some lear of taking a curve too fast. Thest Drive is fun but with these exotic cars the game should be thrilling and it isn't quite there.

I am totally disappointed. The choice of cars is good but how can you leave out great cars like the Vector and the Koenig Testarossa? The graphics are choppy and the game play feeds work. Even the sounds have been trimed back and fall short of the computer version. Cool idea but not quite there.

Too little to late, I say. Give me a game with all of the hot cars like the Vector and other missing monster machines. On top of that The Duel seems to fight through each scene to keep the graphics from disrupting. The sound effects are lacking realism, something racing fans love and desire.

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Genesis - Accolade SUPER OFF ROAD

Theme: Driving Available: Now No. of Levels: 16 Megabits: 4



The popular arcade game has found its way to the Genesis. Get ready for rough off road action as you take on three other racers through 8 of the most grueling tracks in the world. Collect money and nitro power during the race to improve your performance. In between rounds you can buy engines, tires and other enhancements to create an edge over the opponents (computer or human) and race to victory!

This game takes on a special feel when it's played by two, but on its own it has its own set of strengths and weaknesses. While the tracks are all drawn nicely, the cars are exceptionally small and hard to control in certain areas. The game also becomes unplayable after your first loss since no new parts can be bought.

All-in-all an excellent version of the arcade game. This version is easy to control, fun to play and challenging to boot! Perhaps too challenging though as once you lose it is nearly impossible to come back. Still, as a two person game the cart is great and lots of fun as the competition can get nasty even between friends.

This is a hard game to bring to a home system. The graphics are tiny and the music is annoying. The game play is almost uncontrollable and the opposing cars pull some real cheap stunts. I like the coin-op version of the game but his cart is lacking in too many areas to be called a good translation. Healthy video babes.

Super Off Road was a lot of fun for me. I used to spend hours in the arcade playing the coin-op version, but the same feel was not present here. Though the steering wheel is non-existent, the control was choppy. My main complaint is that it could have been so much better on the Genesis.

TurboGrafx-16 - NEC

Theme: Sports Available: Now No. of Levels: 20+ Megabits: 2



Ready for the strangest game of hockey in the universe? What happens when you cross hockey and marbles? Ballistix, that is what! Your mission is to bump the black ball into your opponent's goal using your own balls. Sound easy? If so, you are in for a rude awakening! You or your opponent can pick up special powerups that appear on the floor and really mess things up. Get a shield, reverse the field and much more!

While I like the original approach used in this game, the execution of the ideas are not always handled properly. I have no real complaints with the graphics or sounds, but Ballistix suffers from poor control and the game's inability to always translate controller movements into onscreen action.

The game concept is good but somehow it never ends up as a good game when it gets to the player. The player control needs major help and in a game as fast as this, control is everything. Non of the game's other attributes are exceptional so the game ends up balow average. Too bad as it had a lot of potential.

Turbo is going to need a facelift if it is constantly plagued with average games like Ballistix. The graphics are average, the game play is average, and the music and sounds are below average. The concept behind the game is neat but it plays like a computer game of found the game boring and not up to T-16 standards.

Guess what!? Here is yet another average TurboGrafx game! Surprise, surprise. The ball control is too awkward to actually be fun. Within seconds, you can have tons of balls rocketing around the arena to no avail. The appalling creature that drops the black ball into play seems totally unnecessary and utterly adolescent.

TurboGrafx-16 - NEC IT CAME FROM THE DESERT Theme: Adv. Available: Now

Theme: Adv. Available: Now No. of Levels: NA Megabits: CD



It Came From the Desert merges the game play and story-telling together with motion video, sound and voice presented in a way that only the TurboGrafx-16 CD-ROM can. You must unravel the mystery hidden within a small town. Locate local folk, use their vocal clues and make your next move. Interspersed throughout the game are a variety of action sequences that take you head to head against the title menace!

This is another Turbo game that has a variety of interesting concepts that just didn't gel. While some may question the quality, I like the motion video in this and other Turbo CDs A LOTI Unfortunately, the access time is way slow and the one-one segments drag on a bit. The action is adequate, but not exceptional.

These are the types of games that the Turbo needs to get it going again. Unfortunately it took years to make this one. Great branching of the plot and a decent merging of action sequences with the fill-in digitized animation keep this quest game moving along nicely. A good advancement over the Sherlock CD.

This is a sad case of a great idea blended with poor execution. The game play consists of little more than choosing menus and a cheesy side sorolling and overhead shooting scene. The cinemas are choppy yet still have some cool features. The game play is nonexistant. NOT fun to play. Since when do bikes have radios?

While the cinema display segments are graphically cool, they are a little too choppy and do not seem to have anything to do with the action sequences. They are purely for show, and can become boring at times. Slow access times hurt the game horribly. The action is average but lacks the excitement of a good title.

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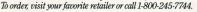
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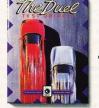
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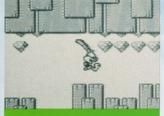




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Game Boy - Konami TINY TOONS ADVENTURE Theme: Action Available: Now

No. of Levels: NA Megabits: 2



Babs Bunny just wants to land a job as an actress, but all she seems to do is land into trouble! Of course. it is up to Buster Bunny, Dizzy Devil and the rest of the Tiny Toon gang to bail her out. Buster is the main character, but he will need to enlist the help of several Tiny Toons to get to Babs. You can switch to other Tiny Toons between rounds, but Buster has the best all-around attacks and defenses. Go. Buster!

While the packaging may position this game towards younger folk, anyone would have a ball with this game. Like the Disney games from Capcom, Konami has put together a game with great features that, while aimed at a younger audience, doesn't forsake quality. This is a good game for any fan of action titles!

Tiny Toons is a very good game with many redeeming features. In addition to a well executed contest, there are a variety of additional games within the game that expand the scope of play and increase the overall enjoyment of the cart. The graphics are equally well done, with detail not found in most GameBoy titles.

Konami has a knack for making great GameBoy carts and they have another winner with Tiny Tunes. The graphics are very good and the cartoon look is very well done. There are plenty of options to the game play, like selecting the right characters for each level. The game is a slow, but there is no GameBoy blurring.

The Tiny Toons can do no wrong! This is an action-filled cart with tons of cute bonus games to play. The graphics are great (for a GameBoy), and the control is excellent! Tiny Toons Adventure has an addictive quality to it that keeps you coming back for more! This is a great game for all ages.

Game Gear - Sega **AX BATTLER**

Theme: Adventure Available: Now No. of Levels: NA Megabits: 2



Death Adder has finally been vanguished, and the Golden Axe has been restored to its former glory. Previously, the king called upon Ax Battler to find the Axe, but it has been stolen once more! Follow this RPG fantasy through numerous side-view battle scenes and overhead travels. Fight each battle with growing intensity as you get stronger with each blow. Find the Golden Axe in true RPG style on the go!

I like it a lot whenever a game company can take an existing theme in new directions. That's exactly what Sega has done with this cart which borrows some of the action elements from the Golden Axe series with a more stylized quest. The combination works well despite the limitations of the Game Gear screen.

This game gives Golden Axe an entirely new look. The pure action of Golden Axe is amended with RPG overtones that take the central characters on a great adventure. While I like the manner in which Sega expanded the game, the new elements may not appeal to those who enjoyed Golden Axe for its action.

I would have rather seen a pure action cart with the same concepts. The RPG portion of the game seems tedious, but the action is good enough to make up for it. The graphics are detailed as are the sound effects. Another big problem occurred when I finished the quest - I didn't want to play it again.

Ax Battler is a wonderful idea that just falls short. Both the guest and the action sequences need more attention. Both Tyris-Flare and Gilius Thunderhead are missing and the lack of real momentum in either aspect of the game not only makes the division more apparent, it makes you feel that neither was rewarding.

Lynx - Telegames THE GUARDIANS

Theme: RPG Available: Now No. of Levels: NA Megabits: 2



The Guardians: Storm Over Doria is a great new RPG designed specifically for the Atari Lynx, Choose from a Valkyrie, a Knight, a Wizard and a Cleric. The Prince has been kidnapped by an evil wizard and it is up to you to save him. The King has promised great rewards to one warrior who rescues his son. The unique three-quarter perspective will keep the action right where it belongs: in your face!

This game is really a first generation RPG, but being the only entry in the genre for the Lynx it's not bad. The execution of some moves is a bit haphazard, but nothing a little familiarity doesn't cure. The graphics are well drawn and the quest is delivered well, but the sound and certain portions of play fall short.

It's great to finally see a role-playing game for the Atar portable. This game has got everything you'd find in a console title. Although not quite as complex as the Phantasy Star series, Guardians does have a solid adventure that, while lacking depth, would serve as a nice introduction to adventure gaming. Not a bad effort!

The Lynx needs a decent RPG and this is a start. There are a lot of features in the quest that succeed in keeping it interesting. There won't be as much mystery as most conventional console-based RPGs, but the quest is long. While the graphics are good, the cart suffers from the same pings that fill most Lynx games.

The Guardians: Storm Over Doria has been a long awaited addition to the growing family of Lynx titles. My interest level stayed high, since there really is no other true RPG adventure available for the Lynx. Unfortunately, the quest lacked a certain depth that good adventures require and fell short because of it.

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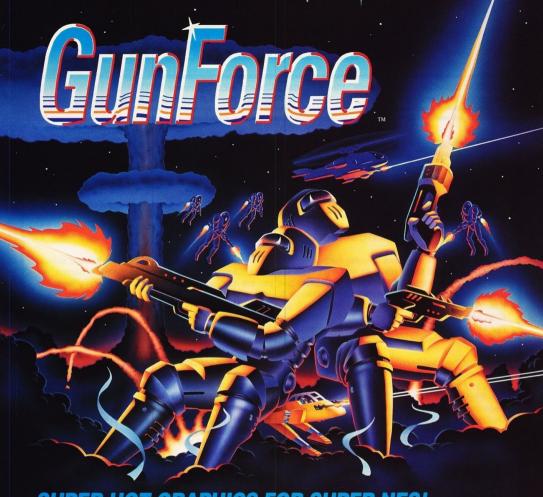
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SAMING GOSSIP

...CD-ROM Developer List Expands...Street Fighter 2 Update...NES Convertor On The Way...New Super NES Mouse Peripheral...Sega Giga-Drive Specifics...Phantasy Star 4...Release Date For Color GameBoy...

...Blow my britches! It's Mr. Cheery, Mr. Fun, it's Mr. Quartermann with my big bag of gossip from the dirtiest depths of the video game corporate vaults! We have lots of fun, games and prizes this week kiddies, with news to make your mouth water...We begin this issue with CD-ROM news. We've all heard about the leaps in technology Nintendo, Sega, Sony and others are making, but other super powers ranging from Electronic Arts to Lucasfilm are also committing big bucks to the next generation of video game. Does this mean we'll see great games like Road Rash 2 on CD? No way sez the Quartermann, but you will see it on both the Super NES and Genesis, along with a new street fighting football game later in the year...Street Fighter 2 update! There will be NO special controller packed with this 16-Meg monstrosity. But don't expect the price to fall far below the eighty buck retail price rumored to kicking around...

...Mr. Q has uncovered news of some mega machines for all you hardware heads! Rumor has it that a special NES convertor will finally make its way onto store shelves by Christmas! The device, as yet to be named, will plug right into the top of the 16-Bit Nintendo and give you the magical ability to play 8-Bit carts on your super system! Whooppeee! Personally the Q-Meister feels this tiny piece of technology is too little much too late...Also under development for the Super NES is a "Power Mouse" controller that will make interfacing with RPG and adventure games on the 16-Bit Nintendo much easier. The peripheral is especially useful on games like Dungeon Master where pull down windows and direction progress is accomplished within a more conventional computer environment! No date for release on this gem...

...Where's the beef Sega! You rode out of '91 on a high, but you're heading into '92 on a low! I'm all for you guys making it big, but with hot hits like Street Fighter 2, Contra 3, Turtles 4, Zelda 3, etc. hitting for the Super NES, you better get something better than Art Alive into the stores! Where's Sonic 2? Where's Toe Jam and Earl 2? Where's Batman 2? We know you've got them - we just want you to finish them up!...Speaking of new Sega carts, look for their line-up to get an additional boost later in the year from the sequel to Shining in the Darkness! Called Shining Force, this super cart weighs in at a hefty 12 meg! Other sequels to watch for include Monaco GP 2 (smart call Al!), and a new adventure within the Phantasy Star realm! Don't expect the fourth installment of the Phantasy Star series, however, until sometime in 1993 and quit looking for the long-awaited Turbo OutRun altogether! The head honchos at Sega pronounced it DOA when it arrived on these shores...Check out Aliens on laserdisc! There's a boffo 15 minutes of extra footage - most of it at the colony before the bugs take over...

...Switching gears back to game systems, word from the Sega chief is that a new piece of Sega hardware, officially code-named the Giga-Drive, will hit soon! The machine will indeed support at least a 32-Bit configuration, mocking the System 32 boards from Sega's coin-ops! In addition to buff new games, the Giga-Drive will also remain completely downwardly compatible, so your Genesis library won't be obsolete overnight (learn Nintendo learn Nintendo)...Happy, happy - Joy, joy...While digging on the Giga-Drive, yours truly has also scored with some kick news on the yet another piece of Sega hardware! This machine, still in development and untitled, will be CD specific but won't hit the stores until sometime in 1994! Can't wait...

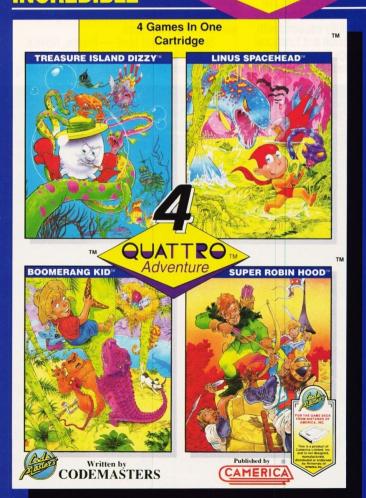
Check it out! Nintendo is working on the development of the Color GameBoy, but no development systems have so far been awarded! The Q-Mann says December at the earliest...Beware all you UserNet dweebs - the Quartermann is watching...Until next time remember the play's the thing and keep your hand off my joystick!

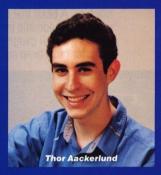
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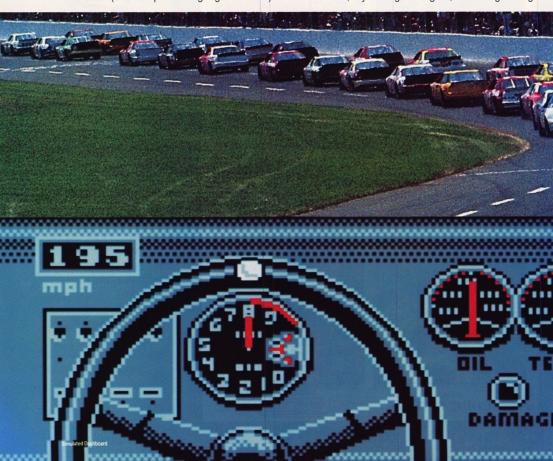
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Ever since our Sushi-X broke the news about Street Fighter 2 coming to the Super Nintendo last August, players haven't been the same. Month after month hundreds upon hundreds of letters have been pouring into our offices requesting, pleading and even demanding more and more information about this phenomenal game. Never in the history of the magazine has there ever been more of a public outcry for a single game.

And we have been listening. We have devoted more attention to SF than any other game. This marks the fifth issue in a row where we have covered this title and as we write this, at the end of February, the game is almost complete.

Capcom is shooting for a June release for the U.S., and while a specific retail price hasn't been set, officials at Capcom are saving that the cartridge will probably sell in the \$75 to \$85 range. Why so much, you ask?

Capcom knew from the beginning that this was going to be a hot title. Never (since the Pac-Man days) has an arcade game completely dominated the charts. in both Japan and the U.S., for such a long time. Knowing this,



Capcom is finishing off the background details. The water needs animation vet.



The world's first 16 megabit cartridge - Street Fighter 2 for the Super NES.

Capcom set out to make the best home version possible. All of the moves, characters, backgrounds and sounds had to be perfect. However, it didn't take them long to find out that they just couldn't get everything to fit in a 'standard' 8 megabit Super Nintendo cartridge. They couldn't even get it to fit in the next step up - a 12 megabit cart! Rather than compromise any aspect of the game, they decided to take a chance and go up to 16 megabit. While anybody can go out and make a 16 meg game, getting players to pay the hefty price (4 meg chips are very expensive!) becomes a major concern. Other manufacturing problems arise (and drive the cart cost up) as games go beyond the 'standard' 8 meg size. The cartridge boards have to be specially

made, the cartridge shells are, many times, a different size, and even the boxes are different sizes

As you can see from the picture of the prototype board, the only difference between SF2 and the normal S-NES cart is the extra pair of four meg chips. Rumors have been circulating about this cart having a special graphics chip (false) or even a brand new MMC chip (false). There is a S(tatic)RAM chip but it's nothing that hasn't been used already.

The special 6 button joystick controller has been kicked around at Capcom for a few months but the current thinking is that there won't be such a peripheral...at least not from Capcom. Should this mega-cart really take off, you can bet that it won't be long before one of the third party controller companies to bring out what the players want.

As mentioned earlier, the cart is almost done. The endings have to be added and the programmers are still tweeking the background graphics. From our 12 hours of hands-on playing, Capcom could quite well have the game of the year here! You won't want to miss it. For the first U.S. in-depth coverage of this cart, turn to page 89.



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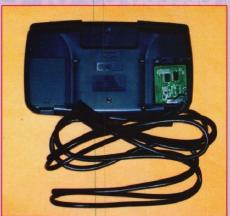
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GAME GEAR ON TV... IT CAN BE DONE!!

One of the problems which magazines have had with Sega's Game Gear system is how to take pictures of the new games coming out for the system. Since the GG doesn't have a video output as the home system does, taking pictures meant trying to get a good shot off the small screen - a virtual impossibility. This left three options for the world press. The first - don't cover the product; second, take the easy way out and use what prepared slides Sega would provide; and third, be innovative and go to the source -Japan - where the system was invented.

On one of our Japan trips last year we saw Sega of Japan demonstrating their new GG carts on monitors. When questioned on how they did that, things got real quiet. A little searching around and we found out that Sega had a 'development system' for making and checking their game chips. This system has a port for joysticks and another for video and audio output.

As you have seen in the past few issues we have been doing all sorts of great Game Gear previews and Fact-Files and that is because old Ed has been able to call in a few favors and round up such a system. However, on our last trip to Japan,



Previously only available for Japanese trade show demonstrations. Sega has started to make their 'custom' Game Gear systems available to the world press.

Sega was using a new product to demonstrate their GG carts. It looked like the production GG (it was) but, it had a cable coming out of the back of the unit and going to a monitor.

Apparently Sega has been busy studying the design circuitry of the GG and they have been able to tap off certain points on the GG motherboard to create a video and audio output. A little legwork and we were able to round up such a unit for the

While we are not presently able to

show you exactly where you should make the necessary connections on your GG (it would void the warranty, among other things), we can tell you that it is possible to do. With a little planning the wires can be arranged to end in a female DIN connector - exactly like the one on the back of the Genesis or Master System. With this type of connection you can then use your standard Genesis Audio/Video plug which connects to your television. When watching the games on

TV the game picture only occupies the center half of the screen, but it is a tremendous improvement over the built in screen on the GG. Fast action

games which would blur on the GG are now clear and well defined. The graphics are Master

System quality and satisfactory. The down side - no portability.

Since there has to be extensive modification to the GG and one of the battery compartments is now filled with a small circuit board, don't look for this handy little device to hit the market in the near future. Still, it is a major improvement from the complex development system of only last year. Who knows, perhaps the next Sega portable might be 16 bit and already come with a video and audio output built in!



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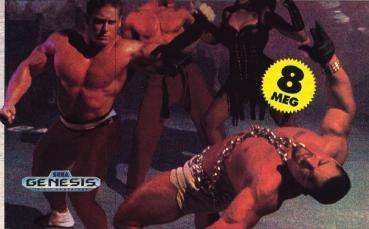


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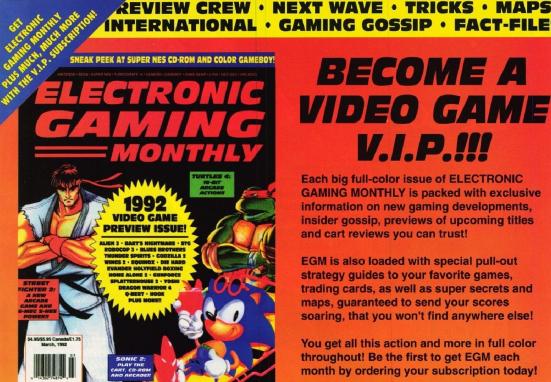
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Masya / PC Engine CD-ROM **OVERHAULED MAN 3**

PC Engine owners have enjoyed Overhauled Man 2 for quite some time. Now, Overhauled Man 3 is making its debut for the PC Engine CD-ROM! Your character must stop an advancing race of cyborgs gone mad! Your trusty sword has the ability to defeat these enemies, but if you can find the ultra-powerful exo-suit, your mission will be a breeze! The exosuit is equipped with some fantastic weaponry, but its main feature is excellent jumping ability! Overhauled Man 3 is a clear cut winner!



Take out this dragon at the end of stage three!



This boss is a real nuisance when he fires guided missiles. If you can manage to dodge them, hack at the boss with your sword to win!



Once you find the exo-suit, jump into attacking your enemies with the extra power that the suit provides!



Your sword can destroy the toughest enemies with ease!



This multi-headed creature drops his minions to attack!

Your band of fighters has a large variety of attack moves including some spectacularly special moves like head slamming two opponents together and even throwing your opponent into another group of guys!

Combatribes was an instant hit when it reached the arcades a few years ago! The game is in its early stages, but all fans of the arcade version will definitely want to check this one out!!

Palsoft / Super Famicom COMBATRIBES



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K. Amusement / Super Famicom MYSTERY CIRCLE

So you say you have not had enough puzzle games, eh! Well, just try to take on Mystery Circle for the Super Famicom! K. Amusement has done a spectacular job on this title. Although it looks like Tetris, there is more intensity to it. Beautifully detailed backgrounds add to the excitement!





As the pieces fall, line them up across, diagonally and/or down to score big points! Mystery Circean be a very addicting title!



Koei / Mega Drive UNCHARTED WATERS

While Koei has recently released the NES version of Uncharted Waters, they realized the potential of releasing this cart for the Mega Drive! In 1502, ten years after the voyage of Columbus, you assume the role of a young Portuguese captain, Your goal is to restore honor to your once noble family!











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Data West / PC Engine SuperCD-ROM RAYXANBER III

Rayxander II was an instant success in Japan when it arrived last year. Now, Data West is releasing Rayxander III for the PC Engine Super CD-ROM. This version contains six stages of pure adrenaline pumping action! Power up your fighter to immense proportions and wipe out the enemy!









Sigma / Super Famicom MAKA MAKA

Sigma has a new RPG coming this summer for the Super Famicom. Basically the same as most other RPG's except that in this game you get to control your character during the battle scenes. When you must fight, the view switches to a side view and you take on the enemy one character at a time.









Bitmap Bros. / Super Famicom GODS

Based on the popular computer title, Gods puts you to the test in this game of action and skill. Use your daggers and stars to win the threat of the deities.



Compile / Mega CD-ROM NABUNAGA AND HIS NINJA FORCE

This title may look similar to M.U.S.H.A., and it should! It is made by those same technical wizards at Compile! It's going to be spectacular now that it's on CD!



Telenet / Mega CD-ROM AISLE LORD

Now with the Mega CD gaining in popularity in Japan, more and more companies are making software for this peripheral. A new adventure/RPG is coming from Telenet and this one is set deep in the dungeons of a castle. Spectacular rotation of the walls as you move around is one new feature!











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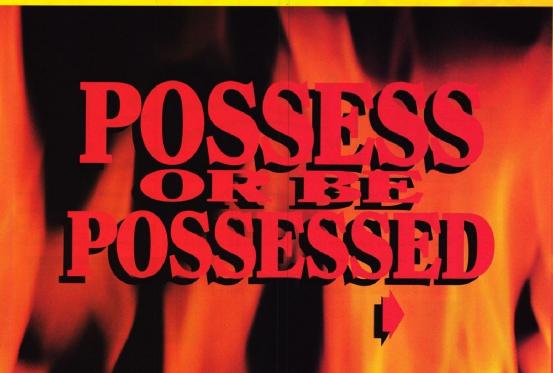












Renovation / Mega Drive SLIME WORLD

Atari Lynx owners have been enjoying Slime World for some time now. Well Mega Drive owners, Slime World will be oozing its way into your homes soon! All of the features are here, including the exciting two player simultaneous action. An instant hit for the Mega Drive!









Naxat Soft / Super Famicom BATTLE GRAND PRIX

Super Famicom owners now have a new racing game to look forward to. The name, Battle Grand Prix, may sound like it is a demolition derby game, but that is the farthest thing from the truth. It is a serious racing game with an overhead perspective of the race course! Plenty of fast action!











what you'll need to do in this new game from Sages Creation for the Sega Genesis. Gamma, the evil spell master has changed you and your princess into stone pillars in his evil kingdom of the damned. Your only hope

is to correctly deflect the glowing power sphere through a hellish maze. You'll need to topple stone walls, cut down spell bound trees that come to life, gal-

lop through gates of ghouls, and dance with demons, while traveling through worlds of fire and ice. Most importantly you'll have to keep moving forward in order to escape the fiery depths. Not only will you need skill, but

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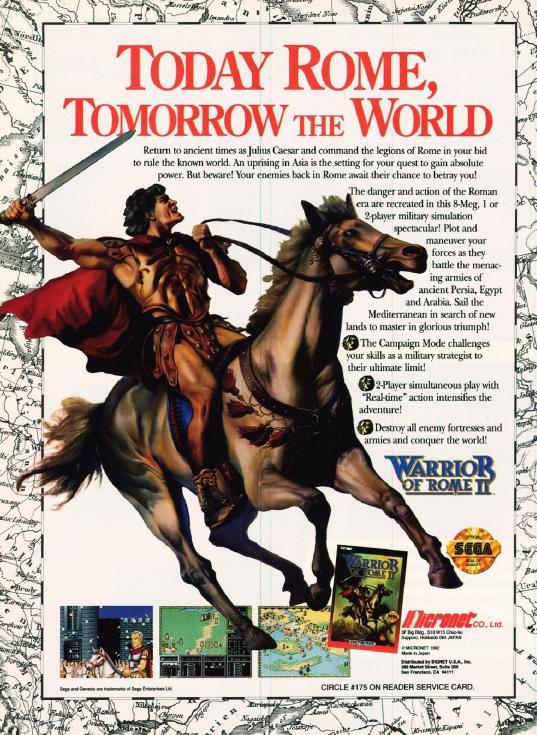


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TRICKS OF THE TRADE

STREET FIGHTER II: THE WORLD WARRIOR

(Capcom/Coin-Op)

Fight Sheng Long - I would like to say that we at EGM are always correct, but when we printed that Sheng Long did not exist, we have been flooded with over a hundred letters denving it. After weeks of

researching each reader's claims. we have finally solved the mystery of Sheng Long...

To fight Sheng Long, the mysterious Street Fighter legend, you must use Ryu throughout your entire game. You must not get hit from the moment you begin until the final round with M. Bison. Once there, you must spar with M. Bison without hitting each other for

10 rounds. The tenth round is the final round. and after the last draw game.

Shena Long appears and tosses M. Bison away! Now the timer is stuck at 99, so you are forced into a fight to the death! Sheng Long's powers

are immense!

on Punch is

backed by his

flaming fist. He

His Hyper Drag-

and can attack immediately after throwing a fireball. Sheng Long can even grab Ryu out of the air and throw him to the turf! We did not

Honorable Mention: Mr. W.A. Stokins from Fuldigen, HA, had the closest explanation of the Sheng Long trick.



throws red fireballs faster than Sagat, and he has a spin kick deadlier than Chun-Li's! He does not pause for a second.



blows cause mega-damage, but we guess he can do all of the special attacks of each World Warrior. We cannot wait to see what is next!



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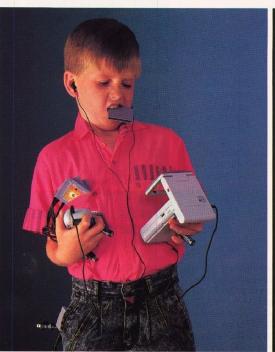
Since we all had so much fun last year with the Simon Belmont April Fools trick, this year we are making a contest out of it! Somewhere in the magazine there is a new April Fools joke. It could be a bogus Next Wave or even a whole Fact File built around a fictitious game! All you have to do is tell us what it is! The winner will win the game of his/her choice! Hurry, contest closes on May 10, 1992!

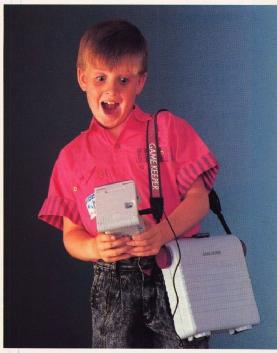
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(Sunsoft/Super NES)

Awesome Passwords - Here are even more codes to keep you busy with this addicting game! Go to the password option and put in

these codes so you can advance to higher levels. Is this the end of the codes? Wait and see!

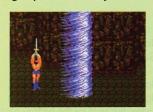
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GOLDEN AXE 2

(Sega/Genesis)

Over 200 Magic Units - Get powered-up with this magic code for Golden Axe 2. Press and hold the A button when fighting the Boss on any stage. Do not let go of the button until you defeat the Boss and enter the bonus stage. Now release the A button, but do not hit any of the wizards or take any magic books. Wait until the next stage, and you will be able to use magic spells whenever you want.





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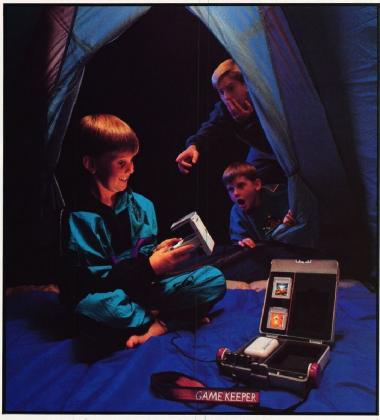
(Sega/Genesis)

Round Select - Now you can choose your starting level with this cool code! When the game starts, hold the A, B and C buttons and press START. Release the B and C buttons, but keep holding A. Go to the options screen and press B and C at the same time to enter it. Without releasing the A button, move the cursor down to Exit and

press B with C again. Keep holding the A button, press B and C together to make your choice of one or two players and press again to choose a normal game. Select your character and without releasing the A button, hold UP on the directional pad and press B, C and START simultaneously. Select your round with the A and B buttons.



Light Boy is Bound to Attract Attention



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SUPER OFF ROAD

(Tradewest/Super NES)

Unlimited Continues - You can continue playing the challenge of Super Off Road with this cool method. First, plug in both controllers, Next, select a two player game and play as the red truck, but let the blue truck stand still. When the race ends, you will be in third place, which will automatically put you in the next race. The unused blue truck will always be able to continue.

> Phillip Huddy Cincinnati, OH



Leave the blue truck alone, and you will have unlimited continues!

MEGA MAN 4

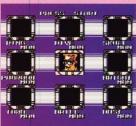
(Capcom/Nintendo)

Super Password - You will reach Dr. Cossack's castle with this super code! Just enter the code as follows:

A1, A4, B5, E2, F1, F3 You will be at the castle, and have every weapon at your disposal!









ROLLING THUNDER 2

(Namco/Genesis)

LEVELS

- 1. (A ROLLING PROGRAM SMASHED THE GENIUS)
- 2. A MAGICAL THUNDER LEARNED THE SECRET (A CURIOUS RAINBOW LEARNED THE FUTURE)



- 4. A ROLLING NUCLEUS SMASHED THE NEURON (A PRIVATE LEOPARD PUNCHED THE NEURON)
- 5. A CURIOUS PROGRAM PUNCHED THE POWDER (A SLENDER FIGHTER ELECTED THE GENIUS)
- 6. A LOGICAL LEOPARD BLASTED THE SECRET (A DIGITAL RAINBOW MUFFLED THE SECRET)







Passwords - Here are the level codes for rounds one through six. The codes in parenthesis

are for a much higher level of

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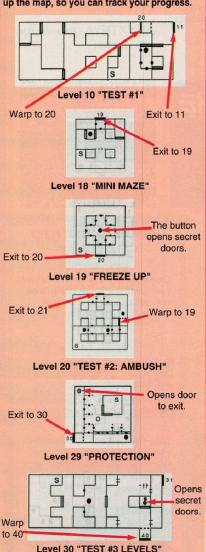
difficulty. More codes to come

Use the password screen to form sentence level codes!

FACEBALL 2000

(Bullet-Proof Software/GameBoy)

Level Maps - Here are some helpful maps to get you through some of the more difficult levels in Faceball 2000. The letter 'S' on the map is your starting point. To further help you along, press the SELECT button to call up the map, so you can track your progress.



What has four legs and flies?

NEW GAME GENIE CODES!!!

BIGNOSE THE CAVEMAN

(Camerica/Nintendo)

Game Genie Codes - With these codes for Bignose the Caveman, you will get some cool options! SXOTPAVG - Infinite lives

SUXYZGVI - Freeze timer

TEUYITLA - Start with 6 lives

ZEUYITLE - Start with 10 lives

IEEZALPA - 5 times bones income



NINJA GAIDEN 3

(Tecmo/Nintendo)

Game Genie Codes - Here are a few codes to help you get further in the game Ninja Gaiden 3. These codes will give you some infinite options and help you defeat your enemies faster. The codes are as follows:

SXEKVLVG - Infinite lives

SZEXILSA - Infinite energy

AEKXTEYA - Enemies take

1 hit to defeat





BATMAN: RETURN OF THE JOKER

(Sunsoft/Nintendo)

Awesome Codes - Here are some great codes for this great action game. You must have a Game Genie unit to run





Get nine lives with this awesome code!

these codes. Key in these passwords as follows:

YEXILGZE - Start with 9 lives

GZXZONSE - Do not take damage from touching bullets and missiles.

GZSZKXSE - Do not take damage from touching objects or enemies.



Combine codes to create invincibility from everything!

SUPER MARIO BROS. 3

(Nintendo/NES)

Game Genie Code - With this code, you can make Super Mario Bros. very difficult. Enter the code:

NUTANT



Thomas Peters Atlanta, GA

DOUBLE DRAGON 3

(Acclaim/Nintendo)

Game Genie Code - This code will give your player 236 hit points. With this extra boost of energy, you have a better chance for sur-

vival. Enter: KVEPXGGS



Tyler Doman Woodburn, OR

BACK TO THE FUTURE 3

(Arena/Genesis)

Skip Stages - To skip stages in Back to the Future 3, pause the game at any point and simultaneously press these buttons together in this order: UP and A, DOWN and A, LEFT and A, RIGHT and A.



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Rescue Clara and save the day!

ANDRE PANZA KICKBOXING

(NEC/TurboGrafx 16)

Full Strength Power-Up - This password will give you 99% in Resist, Strength and Reflex. Select the "Load" command in the game and

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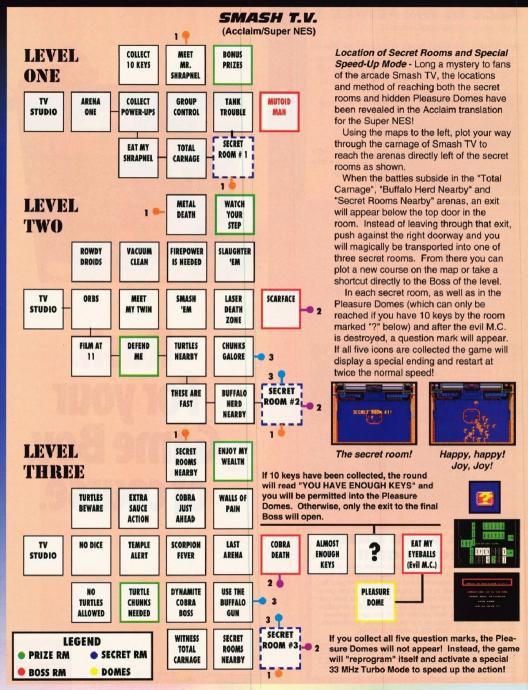


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When the three statues are placed together in a dark temple in Peru, Hastur's counterpart Mavur will be summoned to become one with the

planet and roam the universe forever. Young Earnest Evans has set out against time and the Tresidder syndicate to battle giant scorpions, living skeletons and humongous Venus fly traps among others and carry on his mother's fight to control the wicked forces from darkest Peru.





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Each of the fighters has a different style of battle. Percival, who does not wear full armor, attacks with a

huge battleaxe. ly.



This Boss, named Braford, will attack you from the advantage of horseback.

that will do his best to crush you. The bosses get more and more difficult as you progress, with each one having special moves and attacks. Watch out for Braford, the huge Iron Golem and the many others who will fight you.

Knights of the Round features great graphics and large characters that animate very fluid-ly. Check out

Lancelot uses much for the action on

Lancelot uses much for finesse with his rapier. King Arthur, of course, wields the mightiest sword ever created.



the powerful Excalibur! At the end of each round, you will face a boss

the action on this machine, but make sure to take some friends along to back you up!



Knights of the Round has intese battle sequences!



AIR RESCUE

Sega has a hot new helicopter simulator that utilizes all of the special effects of System 32. This two player, two screen sit-down system brings new levels of realism to arcade simulations!

The plot of the game is very similar to the arcade classic Choplifter. As a helicopter pilot, it is your mission to rescue the captives held by



Sega reaches new heights of realism in the arcade with its incredible helicopter simulator!



With four player simultaneous games, the action on Arabian Fight really heats up!



enemy forces and bring them to safety. Your mission also states that you should avoid all enemy fire, but it did not say that you could not fire back! Your helicopter is equipped with incredible armaments to help you blast your way through to the prisoners.

Since you are alone in your helicopter, the two player mode is done in a very different manner. Both you and a friend control different attack helicopters that keep in contact by radio communication! You will not want to miss the thrill of flying an advanced jet helicopter over enemy

territory, so keep a sharp lookout for Sega's Air Rescue at an arcade near you!

ARABIAN FIGHT

If you have been looking for a new fighting game, Sega and its System 32 has what you have been waiting for! Arabian Fight utilizes all of the amazing abilities of System 32 to give you the most action for your coin-op quarter!

As you can tell by these pictures. the size of the characters on screen is very large. Even better is the fact that the characters animate perfect-

> ly! The motion and action in the game is very fluid, really drawing you into the game. and your character's battles.

Of course, you can take on the action in Arabian Fight by yourself. However, if you want to get all you can from the game, bring three friends along and go at the game in its four player simultaneous mode! The

and three of your friends get into the



Can you defeat your opponent the evil Wizard King?

act of bashing heads!

In the game, you and your characters will travel from India to Arabia through seven levels of danger and fighting. On the seventh stage, you will come face to face with the greatest evil in the land - the Wizard King. The only things that can save you here are your skills as a fighter and the power of your magical spells. The Wizard King will put up a tough fight, so get ready to give him all you have got! If you do not destroy him. his evil presence will continue to dominate and destroy the land.



Using System 32, the characters and enemies can zoom at you from out of the screen!



Sega's Air Rescue



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METAL MANIAC SWEEPSTAKES



Think of the best name for this robot in the action packed game, Xardion! Although this robot is known as Panthera, we want you, the readers, to come up with the wildest, craziest and most downright outrageous name!

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Super NES with a library of five hot Asmik titles (including Xardion), plus a Xardion T-shirt and hat!







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To enter the contest, just do the following:

1) Think of the best new name for Panthera in the new SNES hit, Xardion!

2) Write it down on a POSTCARD along with your name, address, age and phone number to:

XARDION METAL MANIAC SWEEPSTAKES C/O Electronic Gaming Monthly 1920 Highland Ave., Suite 222 Lombard, Illinois 60148

Winners will be announced in the June 1992 issue of EGM!



Magic...Monsters...Mayhem... Take Your Pick







Begin the adventure of a lifetime as Roy, a young treasure seeker. Roy starts out in the mysterious Kingdom of Salon on a personal quest to become the greatest swordsman in the Realm. Clashing swords with bandits and monsters brings the hero fame and fortune.

As he makes new friends and gains experience as a swordsman, he uncovers a horrible plot! A group of wizards are determined to unleash chaos and destruction throughout the world. Only Roy and his team of adventurers have the magic and the might to stop the wicked sorcerers!

Travel through several Kingdoms filled with magical beasts and amazing challenges! Use battle-earned gold and gems to up grade your weapons and fortify your armor! Search for powerful magic spell to defeat the evil wizards!

Only if he succeeds can Roy return to his home town of Johanna and reunite with his true love, Traysia!



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LENNUS Asmic / Super NES

Fantasy RPG players take note! Asmic has a new FRPG coming that could very well, outdo the legendary Phantasy Star series on the Genesis! Featuring an unbelievably huge quest which gets larger and larger as you progress; enemy which are fully animated; and new powers and magics!



While only spots on the main map, whole new countries appear when you reach them!



Begin your quest at your home town. Obtain your weapons and gear and head out in the countryside.



Pick a different attack strategy for each character in your party from a series of pop-up menus.



The enemy is fully animated and also has a wide variety of magic spells to attack you.



Along the way you will come across houses and shops. Enter them to find new surprises.



Your travels are not only limited to the ground. Hanging suspended in the sky is a whole new series of paths.



Your powers are strong! Here, your lightning magic fries the dragons which stand in your way.

A PARTIAL MAP OF THE FIRST KINGDOM!



NOTE: Game screens are very preliminary and are subject to change.

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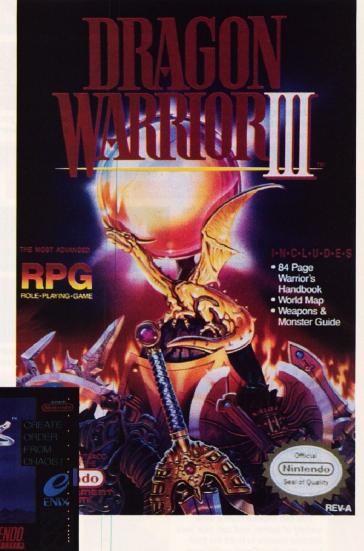
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The game that's topped the charts for Super NES. You are the master. Direct your angel to form civilization as you know it while battling a bevy of bogus beasts. Rated best 1991 video game for action, strategy and music.





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Dragon Warrior III



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SOUL BLAZER Enix / Super NES

Soul Blazer is the second in the series of quest games from the masters at Enix. This game takes a different route than Act Raiser though (Act Raiser 2 will be coming out later this year). With a plot similar to the Zelda series, Soul Blazer will be pure quest game with huge mazes to challenge you every step of the way. Set primarily in an overhead perspective, SB features vivid, detailed multilayered graphics and sound as good as what we loved in Act Raiser. Note the name change to Soul Blazer.













The map shows your location!

Can you find your way out of here?

MIGHT & MAGIC II American Sammy / Super NES

American Sammy is fulfilling the needs of many role players with their Might & Magic series. With Might & Magic on its way to the NES, there also will be Might & Magic II for the SNES!

Take your band of brave warriors on a mission of epic proportions! Travel through realistic 3-D type corridors and meet up with some very strange enemies. Collect gold to purchase better equipment and weapons to take you farther into your quest!





Take on the goblin to earn gold!





Beware the claws of the Witch's cat.





MAGIC JOHNSON'S SUPER SLAM DUNK BASKETBALL Virgin Games / Super NES

Basketball is now the number one sport being programmed on the S-NES. Virgin's version, featuring Magic Johnson, utilizes the S-NES' Mode 7 feature by rotating the court to follow the fast and furious action on the court.

You can choose from a wide variety of teams, and can pick your starting players to build the best team possible. Great multiplayer action which is sure to please the most avid of fans. Very realistic action and a tough ref.





The court rotates with ease!





Try not to receive many penalties!







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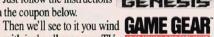
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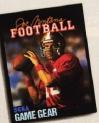
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FEMALE

JACK NICKLAUS GOLF **Tradewest / Super NES**

Tradewest has converted the computer game for the Super NES. Take on some of the most challenging holes in the history of golf with the Golden Bear as your guide. You get a full set of clubs but you had better be accurate as there is very little room for error on these treacherous links. The game plays good as the swing meter is large and easy to use. There is plenty of water, sand, trees and out of bounds to challenge the best of players!



Select the right club for the shot.





Pick a course or make your own!







GODZILLA 2 Toho / NES

That famous rubber monster that devours Tokyo in every episode is now exclusively for NES owners!

Godzilla 2 by Toho leads you on the attack to stop Godzilla from destroying your towns. It looks and plays like an RPG, but Godzilla 2 also has some nicely animated battle scenes when an attack occurs!

There are twelve different missions to stop Godzilla until he can finally be sent to the watery grave. Coming in May from Toho!





This is the map to plan your strategy!





Fighting takes place up close!





MUTANT VIRUS ASC / NES

There is a mutant virus taking over the space station and it is up to you to stop the spreading before it infects the entire station!

In Mutant Virus by ASC, you pilot an advanced exo-suit capable of stopping the virus! Your Antibody Cannon has three ranges of attacking the virus. However, if you get too close to the virus, it will attach itself to you and start draining life away! Once you wipe out enough of the virus, you can head to the next level. An addicting shooter for the NES!





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DANNY SULLIVAN'S INDY HEAT Tradewest / NES

Danny Sullivan's Indy Heat puts you in the seat of a hot Indy racing car! Choose from a wide array of courses to practice on, or just go straight to the Championship races and go wheel-to-wheel with the circuits best racers!

The game is raced on a 3/4 perspective view that looks similar to Tradewest's other hit. Super Off

If you place high enough, you can make it to the winners circle and earn your prize.



Try the twisting Canadian track!



Win the race and collect your prizes!









FELIX THE CAT Hudson Soft / NES

Hudson Soft's latest entry into the NES market is from the classic cartoon series, Felix the Cat!

Felix must venture through many stages of kooky fun only to come across an end boss out to stop Felix! Felix can pick up different objects to aid him in his quest. but he need not rely on weapons alone. Felix is very acrobatic! He can hang upside down from platforms and climb walls when he is in trouble! A great game for kids and experienced players alike!





Enter the bonus stage for points!





Felix can hang from blocks!





BARCELONA '92 U.S. Gold / Genesis

Are you tired of just watching Olympic games on T.V.? Well, with Barcelona '92 from U.S. Gold. vou can participate in many summer Olympic events!

From the menu screen, you can choose from archery, swimming, pole vaulting, skeet shooting, and many more! One to four players can join in to make the game even more exciting!

So for the next best thing to being at the games, Barcelona '92 is the one to check out!





Go for a dip in the Olympic pool...





... or try your hand at pole vaulting!









THE POST-Holocaust

Velcome to Post-Holocaust Los Angeles in the year 2029, where mutant robots pilot their crafts through the blood-red sky, hunting down human beings that once dominated this wasteland.

Just like the movie, you assume the role of Kyle Reese, a time traveller from the future who returns to modern-day L.A. to protect the life of Sarah Conner - the beautiful woman who holds the key to the survival of the human race.

Your mission: Outwit and outmaneuver a brutal killing machine known as the Terminator. He's big, he's bad and he's virtually unstoppable let's hope you're smarter! FEATURES:

- Movie-like soundtrack complete with realistic sound effects
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for the Super NES, you may choose from

three unlikely warriors: Buzz, the exwrestler with Play alone or with a friend at

> the same time!

> > **Fight**

your friends

in the Grudge Match!

staggering power; Kato, the karate master with incredible speed; or Ty, the champion kick-

boxer and only veteran of the Pit. Each warrior has special devastating

attacks to punish the opposition. Fight through nine matches and face the Masked Warrior,

the reigning champion of the Pit. Welcome to a world where brutality is a way of life!



Buzz versus The Executioner



Kato versus Chainman Eddie



Ty versus Angel



Tally up your brutality bonuses!







CHUT VOU DO BETTER THAN THAT?

You bet! EGM knows where to go for the hottest news, and we have some information that will set you on fire! Sushi-X was the first to break the news months ago, and now we have exclusive coverage on the best video game series ever. Street Fighter II! The top-notch EGM staff went to San Jose, Calif., to speak with Capcom representatives James Goddard and Laurie Thornton. They gave us the scoop on not only the Super NES Street Fighter II, but the Champion Edition of the coin-op. as well. No other magazine has this kind of coverage. Also, keep reading for exclusive details on how the coin-op classic burst into life, EGM will show you the drawings and outlines of the best coin-op ever!

While Street Fighter II has dominated the arcades of both the United States and Japan, gamers shuddered to think of how this phenomenal coin-op would be butchered at



Street Fighter II Champion Edition



the helm of the Super NES. Well, worry no more, because the long wait is over! Due out in June of1992, Super NES Street Fighter II is a triumph for Capcom programmers. It encompasses 16 full megabits of memory, sporting a separate sound chip! The music has been digitally

remastered from the Japanese com-

pact disc sound track, as well as

new voice and sound effects.

Super NES Street Fighter II

Remember the incredible 3-D warping of the intense backgrounds on the coin-op Street Fighter II? Capcom sure does, and they somehow managed to incorporate that very intricate special effect into the Super NES version. Each character is still intact, complete with every attack you have come to know and love. In fact, the awesome combos that work in the coin-op will still function beautifully on the Super NES! Amazing, isn't it?

Now, here comes the best news of all: ABSOLUTELY NO SLOW-

DOWN!! With all of the warping, large animated characters (moving quickly, I might add) and breakable objects floating around on screen, you may expect the entire game to lag every time you move, but have no fear, the programmers managed this feat without resorting to an accelerator chip. Perhaps other companies should look to Capcom for solid programming advice on the Super NES.

For once, a company has taken the time to produce a Super NES product the way it should be, perfect! Even using the clunky Super NES pads, the game controls beautifully. Since Capcom has not confirmed on any joystick plans, EGM must make a plea for all World Warriors out there for a company to produce a joystick with the standard six button configuration for the Super NES. With that, who would need tokens?



The Making of Street Fighter II





DRACON PUNCH

This awesome jumping uppercut is backed by the power of the ancient dragon. He screams 'Shouryuken,' or rising dragon fist. It is nearly invincible. Only when he falls is he vulnerable. The punch button used determines the height of the punch, not the power. The joystick motion is F.D.DF.F.P.



KEN

Ken is a former friend and fellow student of Ryu. He studied in Japan with Ryu until the day he decided to leave for America to complete his training. He quickly took to American life and began to settle down with his girlfriend, Eliza. He eventually heard about the underground Street Fighter tournament and felt the urge to compete. Eliza, his fiancee at the time, begged him not to go, but he did anyway. Ken is widely known for his berserker strength and power. His fireball is deadly, and only his peer, Ryu, can match his skill.



HURRICANE KICK

When Ken executes this spinning jump kick, he speaks the ancient words 'Tatsu maki sen puu kyaku,' or dragon hurricane feet. With this attack he can spin towards his opponent and score multiple hits. The kick button pressed changes the speed and distance of the kick. The joystick motion is D,DB,B,K.



Other combos involve Ken's close roundhouse, low short kicks, and the deadly flying fierce-fierce-fireball technique. The 'neck kick' is rough.

 Birthdate:
 February 14, 1965

 Height:
 5' 9.3"

 Weight:
 167.6 lbs

 Sizes:
 845 W32 H34

167.6 lbs B45 W32 H34 Shotokan Karate B

Blood Type: Likes:

Martial Art:

Dislikes:

spaghetti pickled plums





FIRE BALL

This ball of force is an extension Ken's will and determination. He yells 'Ha dou ken,' or energy wave punch, and a blue ball erupts from his outstretched palms. This attacks drains Ken slightly, so he needs a second or two to recover. The punch button used changes the speed. The joystick motion is D,DF,F,P.



Ken loves to use the Dragon Punch to its fullest potential. When a quick, close elbow is followed up by a jab dragon punch, he scores a triple hitl Birth date: Height:

July 21, 1964 5' 8.9"

Weight: Sizes: Martial Art: 149.9 lbs B44 W32 H33

Martial Art: Shotokan Karate

Blood Type: (

Likes: Competition Dislikes: Arachnids





dracon punch

This awesome jumping uppercut is backed by the power of the ancient dragon. He screams, "Shouryuken," or rising dragon fist. It is nearly invincible. Only when he falls is he vulnerable. The punch button used determines the height of the punch, not the power. The joystick motion is F,D,D,F,F,P.



Ryu loves to use the Dragon Punch to its fullest potential. When a quick, close elbow is followed by a jab dragon punch, he scores a triple hit!

RYU

Ryu is a former friend and fellow student of Ken. He has studied in Japan for many years, and he lives for the fight - and nothing else. He humiliated the former World Street Fighting Champion, Sagat, by defeating him with his deadly dragon punch. For years, Ryu has sought a formidable opponent on which to test his new skills. His defensive posture is deadly to the unwary. Ryu is widely known for his awesome dragon punch and hurricane kick. His fireball is deadly, and only his peer, Ken, can match his skill.



HURRICANE KICK

When Ryu executes this spinning jump kick, he speaks the ancient words, "Tatsu maki sen puu kyaku," or dragon hurricane feet. With this attack he can spin towards his opponent and score multiple hits. The kick button pressed changes the speed and distance of the kick. The joystick motion is D,D,B,B,K.



Other combos involve Ryu's close roundhouse, low short kicks and the deadly flying fierce-fierce-fire-ball technique. The "neck kick" is rough.





fire Ball

This ball of force is an extension of Ryu's will and determination. He yells, "Ha dou ken," or energy wave punch, and a blue ball erupts from his outstretched palms. This attack drains Ryu slightly, so he needs a second or two to recover. The punch button used changes the speed. The joystick motion is D,D,F,F,P.







リンさどいげき

Also termed the Flash Kick, Blade Kick, Razor Kick, and Somersault Kick, it is Guile most powerful counterattack. Only a few jump kicks and the Dragon Punch will overpower this vicious move. The kick button used determines the height of the kick, not the power. The joystick motion is D,C,U,K.



GUILE

Guile served the United States Special Forces in the Vietnam War. He and his friend Charlie were captured and tortured by a man now known as M.Bison. Days before a United States M.I.A. task force rescued them, Charlie died at the hands of M.Bison. Now, years later, he leaves his wife and young daughter to seek revenge against M.Bison in the World Street Fighter Tournament. Guile has beefed up since his tragic P.O.W. days, and has mixed his Special Forces training with domestic street fighting techniques.



ALENGERE RICE

In this aerial maneuver, Guile grabs his opponent out of the air, puts them on his shoulder, and slams back down to the ground. Guile can also throw enemies to the ground by using punch instead of kick. The Short kick button is not used. Jump toward your opponent and press D,K.



Other attacks: Guile can follow his slow Sonic Boom and backdrop his opponent as he blocks. This is cheap, but effective.

Birthdate: Height: Weight:

Sizes:

Dislikes:

December 23, 1960 5' 11.7" 189.6 lbs B49 W33 H35

M.Bison

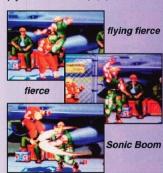
Martial Art: Special Forces
Blood Type: O
Likes: American coffee





MOOS SINCE

This wave of sound is as deadly as a fire ball. He yells 'Sonic boom,' waves his fists, and a wave of sound spins towards his opponent. Guile gathers strength for this move, so he needs little recovery time. This also applies to the Jacknife. The punch button used changes the speed. The joystick motion is B,C,F,P.



Guile can re-dizzy some opponents with this combo: Jump at an opponent and pull back. Hit fierce in the air, then fierce and forward, fierce.

Birthdate: Height: Weight:

March 1, 1968 5' 6.9" She'll never tell

Sizes: B35 W23 H35
Martial Art: Wushu

Blood Type: A

Likes: fruits, education

Dislikes: M.Bison





MIND KICK

Chun Li's speed comes into play when she unleases her Wind Kick. She can score multiple hits and severely drain her enemy as her foot begins to move so fast it becomes blurred. Only the wind travels as quickly. The kick button used determines the speed and power of the kick. Press any kick button rapidly.



Chun Li's next deadiest combo after the heel kick would have to be a flying fierce, then a fierce or low roundhouse (trip).

CHUN LI

Chun Li witnessed the ruthless murder of her father at the hands of M.Bison when she was just a child. Ever since then, she has trained to become the world's strongest woman and an unbeatable fighter. Her speed and agility are staggering. Of the eight original World Warriors, she is the fastest. She joins the Street Fighting Tournament the instant she learned that M.Bison would challenge the victor. It would be the only that she could exact justice on the one in this world she despises most.



CAGFOME KUSK

When Chun Li executes this inverted spinning kick, she speaks the ancient words 'Hau do che,' or spinning bird feet. With this attack she can spin towards his opponent and score multiple hits. The kick button pressed changes the speed and distance of the kick. The joystick motion is D,DB,B,K.



Other attacks involve stunning an opponent with the short or forward button and increasing button speed to perform the wind kick.





MEEL MARK

Chun Li's deadliest attack, however, must be her Heel Kick. This kick will stomp her opponent's head and allow her to execute another air attack as needed. As many as five hits can be scored with the correct timing. Air throws can also be performed after the heel kick. Press down and the Forward button.





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Blanka was lost in a plane crash over Brazil as a baby. The electrical storm that crippled his plane gave him the amazing ability to project an electrical field around his body. In the forest, he was raised by wolves. and later developed his agility and strength and learned to propel his body at his opponent. His bestial appearance is a mutation brought on by his excessive electrical charge. His mother is still searching for him and the anklets she gave him long ago. Blanka is in the Street Fighter Tournament out of vain.

electric shock

Blanka has the power of an electri-

cal storm stored in his body. He can

release this power in the form of an

electrical field surrounding his body.

Any enemy who touches this field

will be in for a massive shock. The

punch button pressed determines

the power of the shock. Press a

Birthdate: Heiaht: Weight: Sizes: Martial Art: Blood Type: Likes:

Dislikes:

February 12, 1966 6' 3 6"

216.1 lbs B78 W47 H68 Capoeira

B Samantha army ants







FACE BITE

If Blanka is close enough, he can resort to his wilder side and bite his opponent in the face. The first bite will take of considerable damage. while each successive bite hurts his opponent only slightly. Zangief can shake him easily. Only the Fierce punch button will perform the Face Bite. The joystick motion is F.P.

flying fierce

trip



jump kick will hit low enemies, and

the low fierce has a long reach.



used determines the speed of the roll, not the power. The joystick motion is B.C.F.P.



Blanka has the easiest combos to master since they have greater room for error. Try a flying fierce, a strong punch, and then a low roundhouse.

strong

Birthdate: Height: Weight: Sizes: November 22, 1952 5' 9.3" (variable) 105.8 lbs B42 W18 H26

Martial Art: Kabaddi Blood Type: O

Likes: curry, meditation sweets





voca fire

Dhalsim must have some deadly breath! He can breath fire balls at a moments notice. This will really burn his opponents dreams of a quick and easy victory! The punch button used determines the speed of the fire ball, not the power. The joystick motion is D,DF,F,P. His Yoga Flame uses a full half circle motion.



Dhalsim's headbutt (a close fierce) can score a double hit! Perform a Yoga Nugie, walk forward while the enemy is in the air, and headbutt!

תונצינינים

Dhalsim is a Yoga master from India. His beautiful wife has recently born him a son, so he wants to achieve a great feat for his son to be proud of. Thus, he entered the Street Fighter Tournament. As a Yoga master, he can stretch his limbs many times their normal length. As he fights, he is in a constant state of meditation to keep his mind clear of all distractions. He can also breath flames and fire balls toward his unsuspecting opponent at will. His slide kick is formidable, and can slide underneath fire balls.



voca spear

Dhalsim can jump into the air and come down in a diagonal line feet first. This is the Yoga Spear. It is hard to defend against thanks to the sharp angle he moves. This attack is a great setup for a throw or Yoga Nugie. Press the Roundhouse button at the height of his jump. Use Fierce for a Yoga Mummy instead.



Dhalsim can knock any air attack out of the air using his high jump kick, low jump kick, normal fierce punch, or his slide. Timing is everything!





VOCA NUCIE

Dhalsim's stretchable limbs can reach out and grab an opponeent and bash in his head. This is the Yoga Nugie, and it can be performed more than once if you have really good timing. Only the strong punch button will perform the Yoga Nugie. Press F,P. Use Fierce for a throw instead.







Screwdriver

This awesome power move can grab characters from up to three full inches away, even through attacks. Only the Dragon Punch can cause more damage in one hit. The punch button used determines the speed of the spin, not the power. The joystick motion is F.FD.D.DB.B.BU.P. (Hint: the motion is 5/8 of a circle.)



7/11/17/17

Zangief is a proud Soviet wrestler who trains by fighting grizzly bears. His numerous scars are a testament to his battles. He has no missile attacks, and needs none. His strength is unmatched in all circles. but he lacks the speed of his many opponents. He is, however, the master of numerous bone-crunching wrestling maneuvers, including the awesome Screwdriver, a spinning piledriver. He wants to do his country proud by defeating the wellknown dictator M.Bison in the World Street Fighter Tournament.



SPIN PUNCH

When Zangief must face an opponent who loves to throw fire balls, sonic booms, or torpedo attacks, he can utilize his spin punch and become immune to harm. He can be hit low, however, and he cannot advance while in this motion. Only use this attack as a defensive move. Press all three punch buttons.



Zangief has other techniques with great range and damage. They are his swan dive, double-hit roundhouse, and the leg trip.

Birthdate: Heiaht:

6' 11.1" Weight: 253.5 lbs Sizes: B64 W50 H59 Martial Art Sambo

Blood Type: Likes:

Dislikes:

wrestling bears missile attacks

June 1, 1956





HEAD SLAM

But one of many powerful wrestling techniques available to Zangief, the Head Slam is visually brutal. He grabs his opponent, flips him upside down, and slams his head into the ground, causing the earth to shake. The punch button used is the Roundhouse button. The joystick motion is F.K.



Obviously, the technique of choice is the mighty Screwdriver, but sometimes you need to set it up with a jumping fierce or a foot stomp.

Birthdate: Height: Weight: Sizes: Martial Art: Blood Type:

November 3, 1960 6' 0.8" 302.0 lbs B83 W71 H83 Sumo Wrestling

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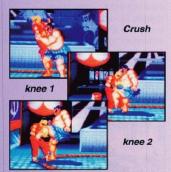
Likes: bathing, discipline indecisiveness





LIGHTHING HAND

E.Honda's Lightning Hand moves so fast it nearly seems likes a hundred hands, all pummeling his opponent at once. This attack is great on a cornered opponent. Multiple hits are possible with dizziness. The punch button used determines the speed and power of the punch. Push any punch button rapidly.



E.Honda has very few combos other than his cannonball-throw/crush. If you are fast enough, you can use the Lightning Fist after the Crush.

E.HONDA

E.Honda is Japan's number one Sumo wrestler. He teaches young wrestlers how to put their mind and body in perfect harmony and how to eat "nabe." He feels his students have begun to question the superiority of the Japanese Sumo wrestling in the martial arts, so he joins the World Street Fighting Tournament to prove them wrong. Like a true teacher, he pushes himself further than he pushes his students. He has mastered the deadly Lightning Hand and the Sumo Torpedo. His shattering holds are devestating.



SUMO TORPEDO

E.Honda can concentrate and send his massive body sailing through the air in a straight line across the screen, bashing his opponent. A close Sumo Torpedo can cause a double hit like a headbutt. The punch button pressed changes the speed of the torpedo. The joystick motion is B,C,F,P.



By utilizing E.Honda's double hits, his close roundhouse and his close knee, you can dizzy an opponent if you get a third hit, like a torpedo.





Sumo Crush

E.Honda can get his opponent in a bone-crushing bear hug if he gets in range. This attack will be more effective if E.Honda performs a cannonball attack (flying short kick) to stun the enemy. The fierce punch button is used. The joystick motion is F,P. The Strong punch button will cause a throw.





BALROG

Birthdate: September 4, 1968 Height: 6' 6.0" Weight: 224.8 lbs B47 W35 H39 Sizes:

Martial Art: Boxina Blood Type: A

Likes: women, bourbon Dislikes: math, effort



Balrog is the former Heavyweight Boxing Champion, but now he spends his time boxing in an empty Las Vegas alley and drinking in bars. He cannot understand how he lost his title, so he wants to prove his power in the underground circuits. His Super Backfist is unwithstand-



able. He has a driving uppercut which will drain energy even when blocked. His defense ratio is low, but his stamina is excellent. He can pummel off half of his opponents energy in the first 5 seconds. Watch out for his jumping punch-low punch combo. He hits below the waist!







Vega is a vain creature indeed. He believes himself to be the most handsome man on earth, and only beauty counts. He wears a mask to protect his face and a claw for long range attacks. His long legs are hard to overcome in the air. This lanky matador hides a treasure house



filled with exotic animals and objects. He can climb on the fence in his area and jump down upon unsuspecting opponents. From there, he can either backdrop or swan dive his foe. He can also spring from walls like Chun Li and perform an air throw.







リミムシ

Birthdate: January 27, 1967 Height: 6' 1.2"

Weight: 158.7 lbs Sizes: B48 W29 H33 Martial Art: **Bull Flahting**

Blood Type:

Likes: beauty, himself ugly things Dislikes:



Sagat was the former World Street Fighting Champion until Ryu defeated him. Ryu's deadly Dragon Punch burned a huge scar in Sagat's chest, serving as an unending reminder of his shame. After years of training, he managed to improve hisTiger blasts and develop his Tiger Uppercut. He



believes the Tiger Uppercut is deadlier than the Dragon Punch because it starts lower and goes higher. Unfortunately, this drains him considerably and leaves him open to a devastating counter blow which drains off energy at twice the strength. He might never learn.



SAGAT

7' 5.0"

172.0 lbs

July 2, 1955

Birthdate: Height: Weight: Sizes: Martial Art: Blood Type:

B51 W34 H37
Art: Muay Thai
Type: B

Likes: s

strong opponents dragon punch, Ryu







M.Bison is one of the world's last dictators. He can channel energy through his body to pack extra power to his punches. He went to war in Vietnam for his own gain, capturing prisoners and holding them for places of power or money. He then went on a rampage through



Asia, taking over small shops and murdering anyone who stood in his way. Now, as the leader of a large underground army, M.Bison plans a show of power at the World Street Fighter Tournament. No World Warrior has defeated him yet, and he remains to be challenged...







MEISON

 Birthdate:
 April 17, 19??

 Height:
 5' 11.7"

 Weight:
 176.4 lbs

 Sizes:
 B51 W33 H36

 Martial Art:
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Blood Type: Likes: Dislikes:

world conquest incompetance



GET LOST, YOU CAN'T COMPARE TO MY POWER.

Get ready for a knock-out punch! FGM is the first with the best news in the arcade world and beyond! We recently took a trip to Capcom to speak with James Goddard and Laurie Thornton on the future of Capcom's greatest triumph, Street Fighter II. We asked, "How do you improve on a game that is nearly perfect?" What resulted is a project of mammoth proportions.

After taking gamer praises and complaints, the designers and programmers at Capcom came up with the idea for Street Fighter II Champion Edition. This coin-op can truly be called the ultimate fighting machine. While retaining every positive aspect of the original Street Fighter II, it adds more detail and competitive techniques.

For starters, every character has been touched up or redrawn in brilliant colors and shadows. For example. Ryu, Ken, and Guile now look much



Ryu has a whole new look!



Now you can select all 12 Warriors!

older and tougher. Ryu and Ken's chests are bursting with muscles and wash-board stomachs. Guile has similar enhancements. Sagat is no longer the tall, skinny bully, but a hulking monster of a man who really looks like the powerful adversary he is. Chun Li, believe it or not, is even hotter. The list of changes goes on and on.

Besides graphical changes, each character has either new attacks. improved attacks, or both. Only Guile and Dhalsim seemed doomed to become weaker. Guile has slower jabs. Dhalsim has a harder time grabbing people. These changes are not changes to Guile and Dhalsim, however, but changes to the other characters! Every character has been sped up significantly enough to counter cheap shots and previously unavoidable attacks.

Oh, did I mention new moves? How about Chun Li's new somersault kick. or her power reverse kick.

Blanka can do two new things: first. he can stop after rolling a short distance by using the jab button. This distance is not controllable, but a good Blanka player can stop in front of Guile's Razor Kick and attack. Blanka is now immune to fireballs when he is wrapped in his electrical field. This will set up a whole new dimension of attacks for the mutant from Brazil.

Zangief, the most well-rounded character in the game, albeit slow, can move while he performs his spin punch. This will be great against people who know nothing but fireballs. Look out. Guile!

Honda, the most underrated character in the game, has a turbo-charged Sumo Torpedo, and his Lightning Fists come out even with the Fierce button. Before, you needed to use the Jab or Strong button in tandem with the Fierce to keep it going, Chun Li's Wind Kick and Blanka's Electric Field will be adjusted accordingly as well.



Chun Li never looked hotter!



M.Bison versus Guile!

Ken and Ryu will undergo two drastic and significant changes. Number one, their low short kicks will not go as fast. Second, their fierce dragon punch has a much larger arc, enabling new offensives. The controls have been adjusted to coordinate exactly with the buttons. This means you will have to work harder to get the same results as before.

As for the new boss characters. Sagat now has an awesome throw. and he recovery time is excellent. Balrog has a headbutt and some sucker punches. All six buttons are for punches. His super back fist is one of the most difficult moves in the game. Vega, on the other is just a agile as in the arcade, and he can climb the fence in his own area. At this point, Capcom could not confirm whether he will climb in other areas. James Goddard merely suggested to try climbing everywhere. M.Bison, while overpowering at the original test site in Sunnyvale, California, has been toned down to create equality for all 12 World War-

No moves have been deleted, but you will have to learn the techniques all over again. Any players who depended on cheap shots will be found flat on his/her back. Characters can still perform the same



Vega versus M.Bison!

cheap shots, but only if their timing is perfect and their opponent is braindead. The computer has gone to school and can now recognize patterns in game play and how to counteract them. Did you like fireballing Honda and roundhousing him out of the air? Forget it! You would be quickly turned into Sumo Supper. The main focus will be to learn many techniques and how to mix them up.

Another major fun-factor booster is the damage control. Damage control is the point system that controls attack ratings, defense rating, and dizziness ratio. All attacks have been scaled down where appropriate to truly reflect the attack itself. In other words, a flurry of jabs will cause minimal damage. Each characters defensive rating has been boosted so that fights last longer. A combo that would have removed one-third of your opponent's energy will now only remove one-



Ken versus Ryu: a classic matchup!

fourth. Just to make things a little more brutal, the dizziness ratio has been boosted from 4:1 to about 7:1 for weak hits.

Three power hits in a row

Three power hits in a row will still dizzy an opponent, but four little jabs or short kicks will not hack it. Apparently, players at

the Sunnyvale test site complained that their combos were not working. While some do, they may not cause an opponent to become dizzy. Remember, the object is to rely on your skill, not the powers of your character.

One main complaint about the original Street Fighter II is that Guile and Dhalsim are far too powerful. People could easily master them and overpower all challengers. A person could be a master of Guile and stink at the other characters, but still remain on



Balrog versus Sagat!

the machine all day. So, here is more good news. Even though the characters are evened out, you may play any character versus him/herself! How do you tell them apart? Well, Ken is wearing dark blue; Ryu has charcoal gray; Sagat will have red shorts and a tan; Guile will wear winter camouflage; Chun Li wears hot red tights; E.Honda has blue face paint and a red towel; Dhalsim has purple skin; Blanka has lightning blue fur; Balrog has red shorts; Vega's pants are a different shade; and M.Bison will appear in Pine Green -- awesome!

The last major change is in the backgrounds. Each background has been redrawn with greater attention to detail. Ryu's background is now at night; the bicyclists in Chun Li's area are high-res characters. Some changes are colors only, but each area has extra detail added. Hmm...

Look for the Street Fighter II Champion Edition to appear at local arcades in April or May '92. It boasts a larger casing allowing for free movement for the two combatants. The Champion Edition is not going to be available as an upgrade to existing Street Fighter II machines at the time of release. Get ready for the

best fighting simulation ever. See you at the arcade! Shouryuken!!



Look for this title screen!



The Making of

I WILL MEDITATE AND THEN DESTROY YOU.

What does it take to create a smash hit video arcade game? Well. it takes imagination, programming expertise, top-notch designers, stateof-the-art technology, and perhaps a little insanity. How else do you explain the innovative fighting simulation of Street Fighter II? Probably the hardest aspect to designing a game is to originate the idea.

Just thinking, 'let's make a fighting game,' is not enough. You must go one step further and decide what format to use. Luckily for all of us, the designers of Street Fighter II opted with the one-on--one format. They also elimated the standard attack/jump style of most action games and went with 6 buttons, 3 for different levels of punches, and 3 for different levels of kicks. The joystick was set up to not only move the character, but act as a means to set up a defense and to leap high in the air. With this established, the next



Where is the Round Table?



What do you get when you cross ...

step is to design the characters and their personalities.

Most fighting games are generic. They involve maybe one or two styles of fighting with enemy clones through the game. Street Fighter II goes far beyond that. Now you are dealing with 11 different types of the martial arts, each with their own strengths and weaknesses. In Street Fighter II, you may select from 7 of those martial arts styles (soon to be all 11), and decide which works best



Hmm... he looks familiar!



Looks like a hunchback...

for you. No other fighting simulation can take you through so many different options.

Now comes the fun part. Actually outlining the characters and designing the graphics. Each animation is painstakingly drawn and programmed, right down to the last detail. Then, after all the characters are complete, backgrounds can be drawn and incorporated. Moving backgrounds like in Street Fighter II are more complicated than they



Right On!



Military Chun Li!

appear. The 3-D warping effect is a triumph of technology.

Sound easy so far? Not! The fun is just beginning! Even with the characters and backgrounds programmed, the computer must have intelligence in order to be a worthy opponent. Certain attacks must counter others, and some can be clearly defined as power attacks that take off energy even when blocked. The designers of Street Fighter II even went so far



Blanka - Take 1

All of the sketches shown here are original drawings by Street Fighter II designers as they brainstormed their way into the most monumental video game of the decade. The pictures on the first page of this section detail the transformation of the World Warrior Vega. The first picture may have been the inspiration for the Blanka, the Brazilian mutant. Imagine what it might have been like to face the



Ryu is pretty standard.



The familiar figure.

as to add a dizziness feature if a character gets pummeled. Other details like the busting barrels, smashing boxes, and shattering statues are all insignificant as far as game play, but they add spectacular realism.

Let's not forget bonus rounds!
They may seem boring, but they are an excellent place to bone up on your skills and improve your fighting.
Besides, beating the headlights out



Blanka - Take 2

knightly figure in hand-to-sword combat.

The first two pictures on this page show the transition of Chun Li from a military woman to a hot oriental girl with an attitude. Zangief (third picture here) remained relatively unchanged. Blanka underwent a transformation from masked warrior to mutant. Ryu and Ken have the same body with different colors and



Martial Arts Training.



The strongman Zangief

of a car is just plain fun! Adding variety to break the monotony is crucial to designing a hot game.

Lastly, you must design the cabinet and set marketing into motion. If the game has sharp, colorful graphics, responsive control, jamming music, and addictive game play, it will succeed in a market where the greatest critics are the people who play it. All in all, video games are the blend of intelligence and creativity.



Blanka - Take 3

heads, and as you can see, the final depiction of Ryu stayed close to the drawing.

The last two photos will give you an idea of how the designers created and animated the characters moves, and just what M.Bison might look like after losing a fight. Hold on! If you think that's nasty, just wait until you see the final picture in the upcoming Champion Edition! See you then!



The many faces of Bison!

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neestroy the metal munching twin cooras, 30 tons of angry mutool Man, club wielding mechanoids and more. After all, this is the game with the ultimate in prizes...your life!

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AND YOU SHALL CARRY THE SWORD OF VICTORY

The popular arcade game from Capcom is coming to the Super NES in a full-fledged 8-Meg cart with solid arcade action and incredible graphics and sounds. Magic Sword is a side-scrolling action adventure in which the main character sets out to destroy the Evil Black Orb. The Black Orb has awakened at the mysterious place known as Drokmar Keep. Uncontrolled darkness has settled over the land and all kinds of deadly creatures are walking the earth. A lone warrior decides to put an end to this terror and goes a quest to destroy the forces of darkness. Along the way, the brave warrior will find all sorts of power-ups and enhancements. You will also find valuable keys. These keys will unlock the doors that are keeping some of your partners captive. By releasing the prisoners you gain a

companion for your quest. Each prisoners have their own weapon and special technique that will benefit you in your battles. For example if you happen to have the Paladin with you, she has incredible firepower and will help you to defeat the end bosses easier. At the beginning of the game you have the choice you starting on whatever floor you want. If you are an advanced player you can you go straight to the last few levels. If you are a novice though, you should start at the beginning and build up your strength. You must fight your way through over 50 levels of intense hack and slash action before reaching the final boss and putting an end to the chaos. You must learn the strengths and weaknesses of the different prisoners and which character will help you most on each of the levels. Can you scale the heights of the magnificent medieval tower? Will you be able to make it through the traps and deadly creatures that inhabit the castle? You must survive all 50 floors and win the final battle with the Black Orb to destroy it and the evil power it possesses.





You can select which floor you begin at just like in the coin-op.



You can continue 3 times and it will not even cost you a quarter.

RESCUE THE DIFFERENT PRISONERS FOR MORE FIREPOWER!





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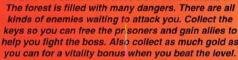








FIGHT YOUR WAY THROUGH THE FOREST!





If you have the Paladin you will be able to defeat this boss easily. You will get a more powerful sword for beating him.









A HUGE BATTLE AWAITS YOU IN THE CASTLE!

Level one was just a taste of things to come. Now that you've made it to the castle get ready for even more action. You'll have to deal with pillars of fire, rivers of lava, skeletons, killer bears, and other wild creatures. You will find many power-ups along the way and there are also many prisoners who will help you in your noble quest.



Listen to the crowd roar as you burn rubber off of the starting line in this new racing game for the Super NES. You will be behind the wheel of a real F-1 race car, and you can customize the car to your liking. You will be able to upgrade your car by adding a new chassis, transmission, brakes, suspension, diffusers, a new front wing or rear wing, new tires,



engine and/or refuel vour supply of nitro. You have to buy these new parts and

Your faithful pit crew! the only way to get money is to win races. The higher up in the standings you finish, the more money that you get back. If you get far enough in front, it will be wise to pit and save yourself some money in damages.

When you start the game, you will be able to choose two things. First, you will be able to buy some parts for your car. Then, you get to pick which track you want to race on. You can choose from 16 tracks.

One real unique thing about this game is that it saves everything. It



Check out this hot action on the international race ways!

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| | 8 MEG | N/A | RACING | 60% |

has a battery backup, so if you have a really good race, you will not lose your time when you turn the game off. It saves the top eight races and the best single lap times for all 16 tracks. Also, it will save the game that you are playing now. It will save the number of races you have won, the amount of money you have collected, and your current rank in the race to be the world champion.



Race hard and fast, and you can be the one standing on top of the winners platform raking in \$7,000!





You can customize your car in many different ways, but you are going to need money to do it. When you customize, you can then watch you car being ripped apart and being put back together with the new parts!!

GET DOWN AND DIRTY IN THE PITS!!!



In the race, you may slide into a barrier, damaging your car. To repair it, you must make a pit stop. When you are getting close to the pits, a flashing sign will let you know. Stay to the right of the road to exit.





Once in the pit, the screen will rotate to give you a side view. Then, your fast and efficient pit crew will begin repairing your car. When they back off, you can build your speed to exit. You should be at top speed when you leave the pits!



You can pull into the pit and refuel whenever necessary. Depending on which car you are driving, you may have to do this more than once per race. Get back into the race quickly, or you will lose your position!

Start Your Engines!

Kemco's new road racing game for the SNES. Top Gear, is fast and furious. Compete in various countries around the world, while challenging the most grueling courses this side of Indy! Pick your car from a variety of design configurations. You can choose either an automatic or a manual transmission to further customize your car. Bump and geargrind your way through hairpin turns while doing your best to avoid the other racers. Kick into nitro power for an incredible burst of speed that makes turbochargers a thing of the past! If you are ready for intense racing action, this cart is for you.



Your abilities will be tested over a wide range of courses and terrains. It takes lots of technique to master these twisting courses from various parts of the world.





You must be a superior driver to compete on this circuit! Try to remain in the top of the rankings, or be forced to watch from the stands. A password feature lets you continue where you left off.



Night driving tends to be very hazardous. Use your headlights and your reflexes to avoid a nasty pile-up. Downshift around corners in order to stay in control.



Pick whichever car is best suited to your individual racing style. Each car has its own strengths and weaknesses. Some have bet ter acceleration, while others use less gas or have better tires.



To blast ahead of the other racers, use your nitro for a turbocharged blast of power! For added fun, you can even race against a friend!

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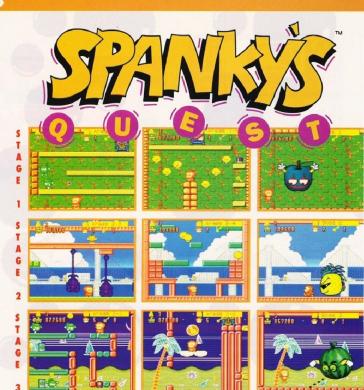
Spanky's Quest is a story about a mischievous little monkey that needs to find its way home! Only by collecting keys to exit levels can it possibly hope to return home!

In Spanky's Quest, Spanky must pass through 50 levels of mayhem! The mission begins in the Grasslands! These 10 levels should provide you with adequate preparation for what is to come. The enemies are weak and it is pretty straight forward! At the end, you meet up with your first boss, a killer apple!

Stage two takes place in San Francisco. The enemies get a little tougher, but Spanky is a determined little monkey! It must fight past a wide array of new enemies as well! Your next boss is a menacing pineapple out to smash you!

In Stage three, Spanky must locate keys, with a beautiful beach as the backdrop! Watch out when you destroy enemies because more will pop out of cans located on certain levels! The next gruesome boss is a nasty watermelon! It spits seeds and attempts to fall on you!

Spanky's Quest is a nice change of pace from the usual shooting games and one of the few good games for the younger player!



PRIMATE POWER!

Spanky's only defense against enemies is its bubble attacks, which have four stages of power!











SPECIAL HATS

Spanky can collect hats to give him special abilities!





RUN FALL SLOWER **FASTER**





GUIDE POWER BALLS UP





PICK YOUR PATH THROUGH THE PLANETS

2 PLAYER OPTION















"So you're the new hot shot pilot for the Galactic Federation, aye? Well lend an ear rookie and learn a few things from a veteran galactic gunner.

First of all, those Silver Hawk warships you'll be flying aren't toys. They are sleek shifty, state of the art battle cruisers with a load of firepower. You'll need every bit of it too! That evil tyrant, Belser, and his metal monster spacecrafts, will fire weapons you've never seen before. And if your maneuvers are any slower than light-speed, you'll be nothin' but space sparks.

Our only chance to save the planet Darius and restore order in the galaxy, is by keeping

our pilots alive. I've seen plenty of good pilots go by the wayside because they hit the panic button as soon as they got a glimpse of those oversized monster ships. In other words, keep your composure kid. It's also a darn good idea to fly your missions with a good buddy. After all, any good pilot

can use a trusty wingman.

Well kid

it sounds like they're calling your number. I hope we get a chance to talk again. Good luck, rookie!"

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"I LIKE IT!"

At last, the video game version of the hit movie is going to come to us! The Rocketeer is coming to us from I.G.S. packed full of awesome cinema displays straight from the movie. The action begins with you as the character Cliff. In scenes one and two, Cliff is the pilot of the Gee-Bee, and you have to win both races in order to be able to use the rocketpack, Then, the real fun begins! You are working in the airplane hangar when thieves try to take the belt. Shoot your way out of the hangar, and start to learn your abilities with the rocket. Be prepared to race head-to-head against airplanes with the high speed power of the rocketbelt under your control. Throughout the various remaining scenes, your high flying, rocketing and fighting abilities must be in top shape because you must rescue your girl. Defeat the enemy, save the nation and experience the thrill of flight!

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The game begins with you flying the GeeBee against two other planes. Win two races and earn a chance to fly the rocketbelt!





INTENSE CINEMA **DISPLAYS STRAIGHT** FROM THE MOVIE!



Maneuver your way through enemy airspace. Beware of the guns that will be shooting at from every direction!



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The Bacterion Beast Squadron is fast approaching. If you don't have your act together, you're fried.





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Level One

POWER UP!

Thunder Spirits is a brand new shooter from Seika Corporation for the Super NES. Game play, weapons and graphics are very similar to the Thunderforce series. Stage one takes you rocketing through the forested region of the planet. In stage two, navigate your ship through the fiery depths of the galaxy. Stage three is set in the murky depths of the ocean. Stage four puts you in the cockpit fighting your way through outer space in search for the final stage, five, which is an intense mechanized world. Are you ready for the challenge?!! Check this one out from Seika!







Stage 1 Boss

Stage 2 Boss



Stage 3 Boss

Pilot your ship through the meteor shower in stage four! This is intense!!!!

Stage 4



Stage 4 Boss



Stage 5 Boss

Stage five...the final challenge. Fly into the heart of a mechanized planet for the final battle.

Stage 5





1-Up





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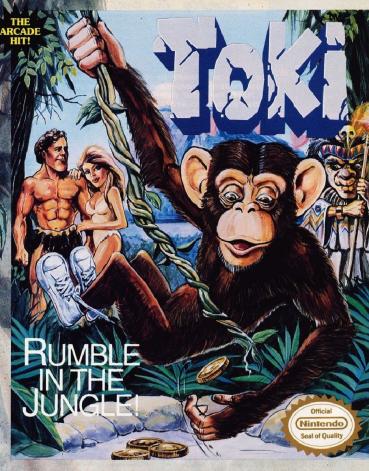








THE ONLY GAME IN TOWN



What are you looking at? I suppose you've never seen a fire breathing ape before, aye? Well to tell you the truth, neither had I, until that dirty rat Vookimedlo turned me into one. All right! All right! I'll tell you who Vookimedlo is and why he did this to me.

Vookimedlo is an evil sorcerer who's had his eye on my girl for some time now and I can't say I blame him for that. But he's nothin' but bad news and, needless to say, my worst enemy! So, he and his big buddy, Bashtar the invisible giant, ganged-up on me and kidnapped my girl Miho. Vookimedlo zapped me and turned me into a little, helpless monkey. Fortunately, the Spirit of the Jungle doesn't like those two scoundrels

either, and gave me the ability to blow fireballs. Otherwise, I'd just be a little snack for his crazy creatures.

Well, I'd better get movin'. I've got plenty of running, climbing, swimming, shooting, and jumping to do. Hopefully I can find my sneakers and get some

get some serious air! If not, there will be plenty of Nintendo
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goodies along the way I can use. Enough chit-chat already! If you're comin' along, you'd better be ready for a wild jaunt in the jungle. Hurry-up! I've gotta get out of this monkey suit!

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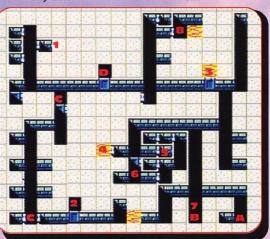
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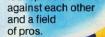
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Power Punch II is a new boxing title for the 8-Bit NES. The game play is similar to that in Punch-Out. but the opponents are slightly different. The aliens are different from normal opponents, but they all have weaknesses - and special moves! The special moves cannot easily be countered, but it is possible. The fights go on until one of the opponents is defeated, so you had better train! At the beginning of each fight, there is a training session where you need to have lightning fast reflexes. Hit a punching bag, but watch it because it keeps moving.

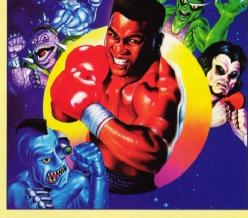
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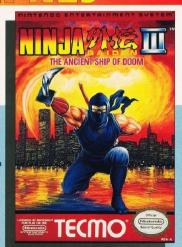
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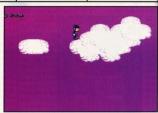
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Climb to the top of the trees to find the way to your next cool. exciting and challenging stage!



Up, up and away! You will even have to go up in the sky to locate yet another hazardous stage!





There are different techniques that let you defeat the cops coming after you! One such method involves kicking some eaas around!

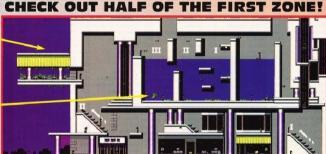
Levels, levels, levels everywhere! Shown here is but half of the first stage where you must be very careful to time your jumps just right! Your water skills will come into play, too! Find the hidden 1-Up!



Hidden 1-Up!



Ride the shark!



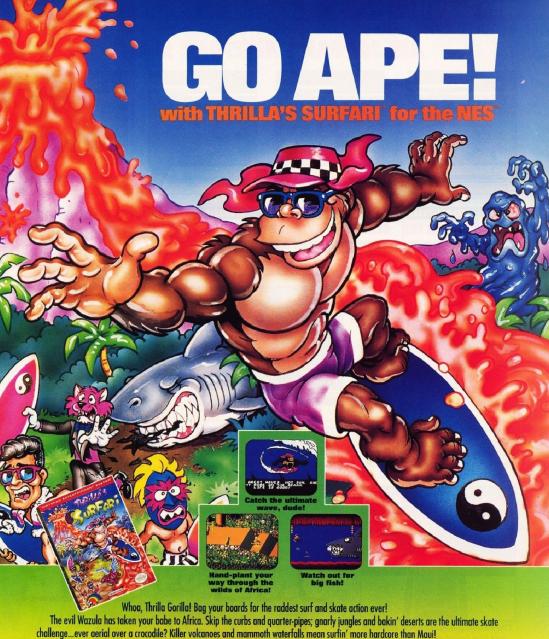


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Be very careful not to be too aggressive, or you will get fouled! Offensive fouls, delay of game and reaching in are just some of the fouls that can be called.



The exciting in-your-face action is just like being on the court with Michael and Larry. Drive to the basket and pass your opponent to make the basket. You can play against a friend, or against the computer.

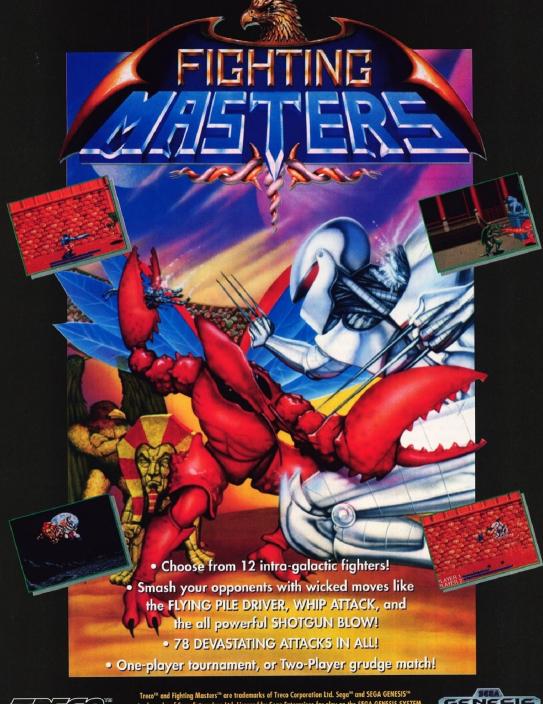


Try to sink as many three point shots as you can within the time limit. To do this, you must have a good eye, steady hands and a keen sense of timing. It takes practice and patience, so take your time and good luck!

ARE YOU GOOD ENOUGH TO PLAY THE PROS?

Electronic Arts' Jordan vs. Bird for the Sega Genesis promises to be one of the hottest sports games of the year! With realistic graphics and fantastic game play, this cart boasts some of the coolest moves ever to hit the court. Choose from a variety of options like slam dunk contest, three point competition or go one on one against either the computer, or against a friend. If you chose the slam dunk contest, you can pick from a list of the greatest dunks that you have ever seen. In the three point contest, you must get as many baskets as you can within the time limit. If you are looking for a basketball game that is realistic as well as a great challenge, give Jordan vs. Bird a shot. The game should be available in March.







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Help those poor lemmings negotiate their way through all kinds of different and challenging obstacles. See if you can get them to the exit before the time runs out! They need your help to stay alive.

FOLLOW THE LEADER!

These little critters do not have a clue! What they lack in brains, they make up for in numbers, though! The game Lemmings for the Genesis should hit the stores this Spring, and you should keep an eye out for it. The object of

the game seems simple enough.
You must lead the lemmings to the

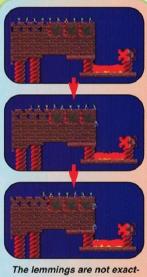
exit and to safety. This is not as easy as it sounds. Each level offers unique and exciting challenges. The excitement grows as each level becomes more difficult.

To make this cart even more amusing, you can teach the lemmings a variety of skills that will help them to survive. Choose from icons that allow the lemmings to dig, climb, build stairs, block and even explode!

With 180 levels of hilarious game play, the game Lemmings is sure to be a hit. Be careful, Lemmings is addictive!



The hapless lemmings end up in all kinds of dangerous places. Be a pal and help them to stay alive. Teach them a variety of skills like mining, building and climbing.



The lemmings are not exactly the smartest creatures in the world. They have a tendency to march right over cliffs in large hordes!



Mazes like this will seem impossible at first. Try not to get too frustrated because after some practice, it will begin to get easier! You must be both creative and resourceful in order to complete each level as every one becomes harder than the last.



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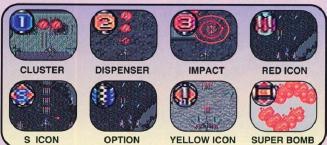
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The conversion cart is filled with cool power-ups and advanced equipment that you can add to your flying fortress. The most helpful assets of the added arsenals are the escort ships that help you fight off your enemies. You can position these escorts to take the shots that would normally hit you. They act like

a shield if they are positioned in front of your plane. In fact, they can be placed in four different positions all around your ship, and they change your speed with each placement.

Several power icons will be at your disposal and you can pick these up by shooting groups of enemies or weapon storehouses that are found along the way. Collect super-bombs that will annihilate the invaders, but the best advice is to save them for the difficult end of level bosses that you must face after a barrage of enemy firepower. Your goal...to protect your base at all costs!!

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LEVEL ONE

In the first level. the one thing you have to do is grab the key hidden in the upper left hand section of the level. After you defeat the Boss, you have to run for your life because a trap will be set to smash you with boulders.

LEVEL TWO

This level is a little more dangerous. Killer vines sprout up from the ground and try to strangle the life out of you. Jump onto the back of the Boss and keep whipping until it blows up. Then, you have to confront the flying head.

LEVEL THREE

This level is filled with all kinds of death traps and dangerous situations. Also, you will face spiked walls that shoot up from almost everywhere. The Boss is not as mean as it looks. Hit it in the eye while standing on the lower tentacle for best results.















THE ADVENTURE

cartridge game would not stand a chance when compared against a game on compact disk, but the cartridge version of Earnest Evans proves to be a worthy counterpart to its CD big brother. You play the role of young Earnest Evans, who is the grandson of the world renowned treasure hunter, Dr. Earnest Evans, who made an appearance in "El Viento." Earnest is sent by his grandfather to continue the guest of vears past. Two out of three idols still have not been found and it is up to Earnest to find these idols before they are used by the evil Brady Tresidder to summon a being to destroy Earth and rule the galaxy.

The animation of Evans is smooth and he has plenty of moves at his disposal like climbing ropes, running, crawling and using such weapons as the whip, mace, rocks, grenades, etc. Get set to face an assortment of enemies and natural disasters that will keep you from searching for your goal. Beware of booby traps that can be set off by the slightest touch. Live the adventure of Earnest Evans in this cart!



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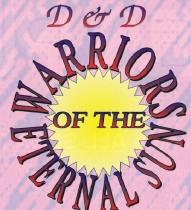
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Sol-Deace is the next shooter from the designers of Gaiares. The game is called Sol-Feace for the Mega-CD version. Only the music and cinema displays have changed. The bosses are spectacular, and the software rotation is truly out of this world.

While the game really does not have many new or exciting features, it is a good game for shooter fans around the world. The high level of difficulty will appeal to diehard gamers. You get fast paced shooting with the power of 16-Bit technology.



LEVEL ONE

This is the entrance into the alien defense. You will be met by all kinds of enemy ships and defense mechanisms. The Boss has a weak spot and hates the taste of your bullets. Do not stay in front of him too long, or he will reach out and crush you.

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When you pick up a power-up. the weapon is attached to the section of the ship that you touched. You can spread your blaster shots apart if you go forward and retract them by flying your ship backwards. Try different weapon



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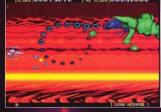


BURN BULLET









LEVEL TWO

Invade the enemy warehouse and destroy the main production facility. Watch out for the minibosses because they have a really nasty attitude. You must beat the walker before getting to the control center. Just shoot and avoid the blue fireballs.

LEVEL THREE

This is a giant solar battle that becomes really intense. There are a variety of larger enemy ships that attack you. Watch out for the giant snake, as it will try to smash you into smithereens before you take it on face to face. You are now half way there!



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As you progress further into your adventure, you will come across many strange and dangerous creatures to destroy!



In the course of Cosmic Fantasy 2, you will visit many different towns like this! Enter the shops to purchase equipment!



The winged man and the battle knight are just two of the tough opponents you will encounter along the way!



Some towns have bosses that must be defeated before leaving. This is the mansion to one of them!

A LOVE STORY IN SPACE!

In the town known as Shure on the planet Idea, the beautiful bride-tobe, Laura, has been kidnapped by the evil Galam in an attempt to unlock the power contained within Laura's pendant. Van, the would-be husband of Laura sets out with The Cosmic Hunters to rescue Laura and put a stop to Galam's maddening schemes!

Cosmic Fantasy 2 is being released on the Turbografx-16 CD-ROM! Not only does Cosmic Fantasy have the long quest associated with CD games, but there is over 20 animated cinema displays to help unravel the story!

Will Van be able to save Laura from Galam, only you and the Cosmic Hunters can save her!



This powerful Red Dragon is just one of the many types of bosses you will have to defeat after completing a mini-quest!



Here is Van and the party members outside of a castle. You travel from place to place in great overhead scenes!



Van of Shura
Childhood sweetheart to Laura
and the hero of the story!



Laura
The beautiful intended of Van who is kidnapped by Galam!



Galam
The power hungry lunatic that kidnapped Laura for her powers!



Biological Cat A member of the Cosmic Hunters that has an insatiable appetite!



Leader of the C.H.

He offers advise and
will join the party to
destroy Galam!



Cadet Babbette
Cosmic Hunter in
training and a minor
heroine in the story!



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A member of the Cosmic Hunter team that
is an android!









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EXTRA TIME
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ROAD RACING AND WATER CHASING EXCITEMENT!



The streets are dangerous, especially when they are filled to the intersection with blazing cars and trucks.



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At times, you have no weapons other than your fists and your wits! Cars will run you off the road, or jet-ski enemies will ram you!







Choose from the pastest of vehicles!











There are loads of different vehicles to obtain through this stunning title. Such vehicles include the jet-ski, speedboat, motorcycle, porsche and the corvette! For outstanding action, some of the vehicles have built in weaponry for damaging vehicles in front of you! Some, though, only allow you to punch the motorcyclists.



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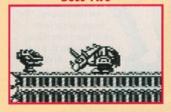
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Be prepared to battle for freedom on the GameBoy. The Adventures of Star Saver is on its way, and it really packs a wallop. A whole cartridge full of adventure and intense action on the small screen is presented. Many power-ups are scattered about the horizontal scrolling levels, and each serves a different purpose. One gives you rapid fire, another gives you limited flying power, and yet another gives you a triple shot. The most useful of these power-ups is the grappling hook. The hook is a life saving tool that you can use to get you to a far

BOSS ONE



BOSS TWO



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away platform quickly. Yet, if you fall off of a ledge, it will automatically activate and pull you back up to the ledge; thus, saving you a life. For an intense test of reflexes, try this one by Taito for the GameBoy!







is of your character in normal operating mode. When you are hit by an enemy, you are knocked out of your armor, and turn into this little character. He is not powerful, so find this P icon quickly. It will return your

armor to you.

LOOK FOR THIS ICON!





IT MAY SAVE YOUR SKIN!

The grappling hook is a nifty tool that will give you a boost back onto a platform if you fall off of it. You get two of these with each icon, or you can use it to the right or left to pull yourself to a platform.

IMPORTANT POWER-UPS!

Look for this icon to defeat bosses easily.



The great super jump gives you limited flying power.



This lets you speed through the level without getting hit.

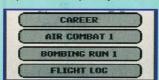


GUTS AND GLORY

Konami now brings us its famous simulator on the GameBoy. Top Gun: Guts and Glory, is the newest in a series of awesome titles. Following in the footsteps of its big brothers, Top Gun and Top Gun 2 on the NES, this brings the same game play to the small screen. Yet, this time, though, you can choose from four different fighters. The F-14 Tomcat, a Mig-29, a F-16 Falcon or the Stealth Fighter. Take on some of the toughest of the tough jet fighters. The action gets very intense; however, when you get to the real combat scenes. It is the same action you remember from the NES versions.

Battle your way through four dangerous missions until you reach the core of the enemy stronghold. Yet, you cannot expect to attack the enemy's headquarters without knowing how to fly your aircraft. So, go into the training mode and try the one-on-one combat and bombing runs. These will get your skills up to par, so you can take on some tougher enemies.

Another important factor contributing to your success is being able to land the fighter on an aircraft carrier. It takes a little practice, but for fans of the NES versions, it is worth it. Top Gun: Guts and Glory is on its way to a GameBoy near you!



Select one of these fighting scenarios. Career is your training mission. Air combat and bombing runs are where the real action is!







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CHOOSE YOUR FIGHTER





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Use strategy to plan your flight patterns and defeat the enemy.



Beware of the enemy attempting to gang up on you.

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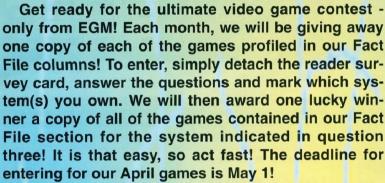
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All of the same intense fun you gain from the sport of golf is here, from the agony of missing the birdle to the joy of a hole in one! Check out Jack Nicklaus Golf in May from Tradewest! Fourrrr!



Swing your way onto the driving range and improve your driving abilities. Look out gophers!



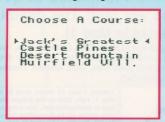
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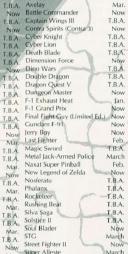
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BATTLE AT LIGHTNING SPEEDS

A very good translation from the arcade version, Hydra by Atari for the Lynx is on its way to you, and it looks like a winner. The action involves you as the hero, trying to protect a valuable item from the hands of criminals. The way you do this is by hydroplaning across the water, and protecting your prize item from the thugs chasing you in their speed boats. The action is really fast, and you have got to keep your eve on the water, because there are twists and turns everywhere. When you complete a mission, you are sent to a weapons shop to buy

upgrades, or a speedboat. You can also get better firepower to blast away at the enemy, or extra fuel for extra long missions. Plus, you can purchase a booster to "boost" into the air to reach floating power-ups. and avoid enemies below you. Go through tunnels, avoid

enemy fire and. above all, you must find extra fuel capsules. If you run out of fuel, the enemy will get the item you are protecting. If

you do not find a fuel capsule soon after you are out of fuel, you will lose inertia, and the game will be over.

If you have played the arcade version, you will probably like this one, too. If you have not played the arcade version, check this out now!



EASY TRACK



This mission is fairly simple. Just be watchful, and keep your eye open for points. If the enemies get in your way, blast 'em!



MEDIUM TRACK

This is a little tougher, but not by much. Just watch for the enemies. they are greater in number. This mission is a lot longer, though.



This mission is extremely difficult. The action gets really intense, and you are faced with a considerable number of obstacles.

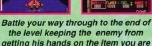


This screen shows you what item you must protect, and where you can find it. On each level there is a different item to protect.









protecting. Then, go to the shop.



There, buy better weapons for your vehicle. When you finish a mission, you are greeted by some friendly females who are a sight for sore eyes.

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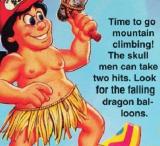




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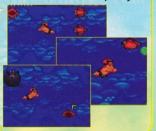


LEVEL FOUR-TWO



LEVEL FOUR-THREE

This is similar to Level Two-Three. Your main enemy is the electric eel. There are plenty!



BONUS LEVEL FOUR

This bonus star is located near the beginning by the fifth platform on the right. These jumps are tricky! Fall straight







LEVEL FOUR-FOUR: ITXANADA BOSS



To destroy the fourth boss, you must shoot it in the head. Unfortunately, you need to dodge its sword while doing so. You can duck underneath it if you are too close, but you need to stand just out of range to get a good head-shot in.











LEVEL RIVE-DAR

The winter-wonderland is filled with flying penguins and voodoo men. The skateboard

is located on this level.

LEVEL FIVE-TWO

Five-Two is the dark level. If you turn up the brightness on your television, you can see





BONDS LEVEL FIVE

This is the roughest bonus stage. The main object is to not be greedy. You will retrace



than the final end boss), and it is also the largest. The blue dragon heads are floating in the sky, and the blobs are patrolling the floor.



LEVEL FIVE-FOUR: DALLST BOSS



First, avoid the little magician as he runs.



Run underneath the





Let it break a hole in the floor and fall.











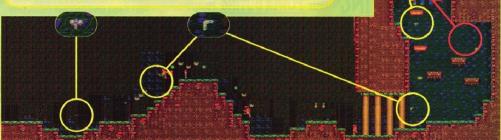














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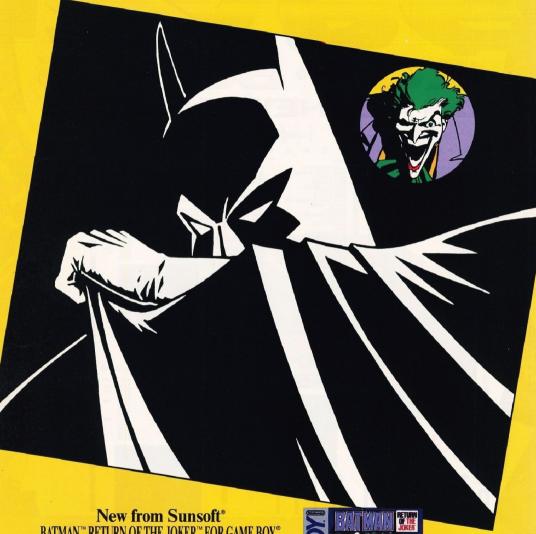
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